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# **TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN**

## **Officers for the Year 1940**

### **SELECTMEN**

Jesse D. Rogers, Chairman	Term expires 1942
Nathaniel E. Lewis	Term expires 1943
Frank H. Barnett	Term expires 1941

### **ASSESSORS**

Jesse D. Rogers, Chairman	Term expires 1942
Nathaniel E. Lewis	Term expires 1943
Frank H. Barnett	Term expires 1941

### **PUBLIC WELFARE**

Nathaniel E. Lewis, Chairman	Term expires 1943
Frank H. Barnett	Term expires 1941
Jesse D. Rogers	Term expires 1942

### **TOWN CLERK AND TREASURER**

George S. Chapman	Term expires 1943
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### **TAX COLLECTOR**

John A. Dutra	Term expires 1943
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### **WATER COMMISSIONERS**

Frank S. Alves, Chairman	Term expires 1943
Warren Alexander	Term expires 1941
Marion Perry	Term expires 1942

### **CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS**

John A. Cook	Term expires 1943
Joseph C. Nunes	Term expires 1941
Hersey D. Taylor	Term expires 1942



## MONUMENT COMMITTEE

John J. Joseph Term expires 1941

## TREE WARDEN

William Pierce Term expires 1941

## AUDITOR

Benjamin R. Chapman Term expires 1941

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Frank O. Cass, Chairman Term expires 1941

Charles DeRiggs Term expires 1942

Sivert J. Benson Term expires 1943

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Frank Flores, Chairman Term expires 1941

Harry Lehsten Term expires 1943

Leon Costa (Appointed) Term expires 1942

## CONSTABLES

Joseph Agna Term expires 1941

Bernard DeRiggs Term expires 1941

Harry Lehsten Term expires 1941

Charles N. Rogers Term expires 1941

Frank Nolet Term expires 1941

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

J. Arthur Lopes Term expires 1943

John F. Rosenthal Term expires 1943

William M. Smith Term expires 1943

Myrick C. Young Term expires 1941

Robert S. Atkins Term expires 1941

Harry L. Stalker Term expires 1941

Mary S. Law Term expires 1942

Arthur M. M. Comee Term expires 1942

Warren S. Hallett Term expires 1942

## Appointments

### By the Board of Selectmen

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Frank S. Perry, Superintendent

Anthony Santos, Asst. Superintendent

## JANITOR AT TOWN HALL

Joseph Marshall

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Anthony Tarvers, Chief

John Rego

John S. Silva

Phillip Croteau

Frank Nolet

Joseph Cabral

Joseph Souza

John Ford

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Frank A. Days Jr.

George Rogers

Louis M. Snow

George S. Chapman

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Arthur B. Silva

## INSPECTOR OF CATTLE

Horace S. Watson

## INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Horace S. Watson

## KEEPER OF LOCK-UP

Anthony Tarvers, Chief of Police



TOWN PIER  
WHARF COMMITTEE

Manuel Silva

Charles DeRiggs

Manuel Enos

HARBOR MASTER

Antone Carlos

WHARFINGER

Antone Carlos

ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Thomas J. Lewis, Chief

John J. Leonard

Thomas Lopes

Sivert J. Benson

Joseph Dennis

Joseph DeCosta

William Pierce

ELECTION OFFICERS

Ballot Clerk—Frank A. Days Jr.

Tellers—Louis M. Snow, Fred H. Dearborn, George Rogers, John A. Francis Jr., William F. Silva, Thomas Francis, Arthur C. Patrick, Joseph A. Marshall, Charles F. Williams, Joshua E. Winslow, Charles A. DeRiggs, John S. Silva, Arthur Jennings.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

William Paige, Chairman

John Agna, Sec'y

James Curran

Horace S. Watson

Joseph J. Roberts

Frank Rowe

Serephine G. Steele

William F. Gilman

Joseph Creamer

MATRON OF TOWN HOME

Edna Tasha

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
Monday, February 12, 1940, at 9 A. M.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown  
in the County of Barnstable Greeting.

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the 12th day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the Reports and Recommendations of Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1st, 1940 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will elect a Director for the Cape Cod Extension service.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Christmas Tree Lighting.



ARTICLE 6. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be required, to defray the Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1940, for the following purposes, viz:

- 1st. General Government.
- 2nd. Protection of Persons and Property.
- 3rd. Health and Sanitation.
- 4th. Highways.
- 5th. Charities and Soldiers' Benefits.
- 6th. Education and Library.
- 7th. Recreation and Unclassified.
- 8th. Public Service Enterprises.
- 9th. Interest and Maturing Debt.

ARTICLE 7. To choose the following Town Officers on one ballot:

- One Selectman and Public Welfare, for three years.
- One Assessor, for three years.
- One Town Clerk and Treasurer, for three years.
- One Collector of Taxes, for three years.
- One Auditor, for one year.
- One Water Commissioner, for three years.
- One Member of School Committee, for three years.
- One Cemetery Commissioner, for three years.
- One Member Board of Health, for three years.
- One Member Board of Health, for two years.
- One Monument Committee, for one year.
- One Tree Warden, for one year.
- Three Trustees of the Public Library for three years
- Five Constables, for one year.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Provincetown Band for Band Concerts during the months of July and August 1940.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$500.00 to be paid to the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the Hospital for the care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the Town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74, of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto, and act fully thereon.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 provided that the State allots the same amount for the reseedling of Shell Fish in depleted areas of Provincetown Harbor.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used for dental work for needy children from the age of 6 to 10 years old and that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to have full charge of the expenditures. This work to be done in clinic form and that the School Nurse be one of the committee of three to be appointed.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Race Road extending from Pleasant St. to Franklin St.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Montello St. starting at Bradford St. to the lower end of Montello St.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for light, heat and repairs to the Eastern School Building.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise



and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 to purchase a new fire truck.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,300.00 to purchase and install two sirens.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to increase the salaries of the members of the Provincetown Fire Department.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 14, Chapter 45 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and to establish a Recreation Commission.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$780.00 for a Public Welfare Investigator.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$143.00 to reimburse the City of Quincy for bills incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to reimburse Joseph Nunes for bill incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$986.00 for unpaid bills incurred by the Public Welfare Department during the year 1939.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to reimburse Hersey Taylor for bill incurred in 1936 by the Public Welfare Department.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise

and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to purchase, plant and maintain new trees within the limits of the Town.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 32, to 48, Chapter 147 of the General Laws of Massachusetts to license boxing matches in the Town of Provincetown.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the feeding and propagation of game, and the stocking of ponds with fish within the Town limits, said money to be expended under the direction of a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a parcel of land at the Fisherman Cold Storage, now owned by the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Corp., for a public parking space.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Atlantic Ave., opposite the premises of Mrs. Matilda Andrews and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on West Vine Street near the premises of Mrs. Lena Joseph and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000.00 for acquiring at private sale, a parcel of land owned by Victor M. Lewis, for the purpose of a public parking place.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 for acquiring at private sale, a parcel of land owned by Victor M. Lewis, for a public parking space.



ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Watson Court, near the premises of Mrs. Ferreira and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Brown St., near the premises of John Anthony and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take by right of eminent domain the unoccupied land to the west of Standish St., between Bradford and Commercial St., and the unoccupied land to the south of Bradford St., at the junction of Standish St., for the purpose of widening Standish St. and Bradford St.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Ambulance Fund.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to purchase a parcel of land between Law St. and Bradford St. for a public way.

ARTICLE 37. To receive the report of the Water Commissioners and the Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting, February 1939, for the purpose of developing and constructing a new or additional water supply and for purchasing land necessary for the same.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be expended in conjunction with funds of the State and County for Highway construction under the provision of Chapter 90 and authorize the Selectmen to enter into the necessary contracts.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Vocational Household Arts.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybodys Market, Ernest DeSilva, Allen & Allen, B. H. Dyer Co., Bradford Market, Adams Pharmacy Inc., Brownell Pharmacy, Knights of Columbus, Cutlers Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch Co., John A. Francis, Board of Trade, Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 25th day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

JESSE D. ROGERS,  
N. EDWIN LEWIS,  
FRANK H. BARNETT,  
Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:  
BERNARD DeRIGGS, Constable.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Barnstable, ss.

Provincetown, February 2, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybody's Market, B. H.



Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Bradford Market, Ernest De-Silva, Brownell Pharmacy, Adams Pharmacy, Post Office, Knights of Columbus, Cutler's Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch Co., John A. Francis and the Board of Trade seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

BERNARD DeRIGGS,

Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Town Hall, on Monday, the twelfth day of February, 1940; and were called to order at nine o'clock in the forenoon by George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rev. William H. Moseley.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. The ballot was taken and Robert A. Welsh was elected Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To act upon the reports and recommendations of Town Officers and Committees. Moved that Article 2 be laid upon the table.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. 1, 1940 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Moved that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow

money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning Jan. 1, 1940, and to issue a note or notes, therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will elect a Director for the Cape Cod Extension Service. Ballot was taken and Mrs. Mary Kelley was elected.

Moved that Article 37 be taken up. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 37. To receive the report of the Water Commissioners and the Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting, February, 1939, for the purpose of developing and constructing a new or additional water supply and for purchasing land necessary for the same.

The report was presented and read by Charles N. Rogers.

To the Citizens of the Town of Provincetown:

The Water Commissioners and Committee appointed at the Annual Town Meeting, February 13, 1939, for the purpose of developing and constructing a new or additional water supply and for purchasing land necessary for the same present a report of their action.

At a meeting held on February 13, 1939, it was voted that Marion Perry should act as Chairman and Frank S. Alves Secretary of the Committee; it was voted to engage the firm of Whitman and Howard to prepare plans, submit specifications and supervise all construction as all engineering investigation with a view to meet the maximum demands during the summer season had been conducted by them and they were thoroughly acquainted with our problem. Mr. Paul F. Howard and Mr. Harry W. Clark who for many years had served



the Commonwealth as head chemist for the Department of Public Health, were present at this meeting and Mr. Howard assured your committee that this auxiliary plant would be completed and in operation by the latter part of June.

The site selected for the plant is what is known as Day's sand pit and consists of approximately 8 acres; it seemed advisable to purchase all of the parcel rather than just enough land for the plant, and the purchase price, viz., \$1,000.00, just compensation. The location was selected due to the following opinion expressed by Paul J. Jakmauh, M. D., Commissioner of Public Health under date of February 8, 1939. "The result of the experiments would indicate that the iron in the water from the gravel-packed well in question can be removed by aeration, filtration through marble and coke and subsequent sedimentation and filtration through sand."

Under date of April 14, 1939 further approval was received from Dr. Jakmauh which follows: "The Department approves the construction of the wells and when the construction of the wells is completed, and when the results of a pumping test, made by pumping continuously from these wells at a time when water is being pumped from the well already in place, are available, the Department will advise you relative to the quality of the water."

Plans and specifications were received from the engineers during the middle of March for the construction of two 6 inch gravel-packed wells and furnishing pipe, valves, and fittings, laying mains connecting the wells. Proposals were invited by advertisements inserted in the Provincetown Advocate and the Cape Cod Standard Times and on April 18, 1939, bids were publicly opened and a contract awarded to Frank A.

Days & Sons in the sum of \$2,500.00 for well work and \$1,300.00 for pipes, fittings, etc., and labor.

During the early part of May plans and specifications for furnishing the necessary labor, materials and equipment and constructing an iron removal plant consisting of a marble and coke filter, sedimentation and filtration sand filter and pumping station were received from the engineer. The following approval of the State Department of Public Health was received July 6, 1939. "The Department of Public Health is in receipt of a copy of the final plan and specifications for the proposed iron removal plant to be built by the Town of Provincetown prepared and submitted by Whitman and Howard, Engineers, Boston, in your behalf for the approval of the Department. In view of the possible change in the character of the water after a greater amount of water has been pumped from the site in question, the Department recommended in a communication to your board, dated February 8, 1939, that the plans for the construction of the proposed treatment works be such that changes in the plant can be readily made from time to time should changes in the condition of the water require and permit the construction of more permanent works. The present plans appear to conform to this recommendation and the Department approves them."

Respectfully,

Paul J. Jakmauh, M. D.,  
Commissioner of Public Health.

After advertising in the Provincetown Advocate and the Cape Cod Standard Times bids were publicly opened on May 20, 1939, and the contract awarded to Frank A. Days & Sons for \$18,430.00. For your information we have included a brief description of the plant and its operation.



The main pumps, two in number are first quality Worthington pumps operating at not more than 1,800 r. p. m., and have the following characteristics:

	Low Head Pump	High Head Pump
gallons per minute	300	300
discharge head (in ft.)	38	175
suction lift (in ft.)	15	10
total dynamic head (in ft.)	53	185
maximum r. p. m.	1,800	1,800

A standard 7½ h. p. motor is connected to the low head pump and a standard 25 h. p. motor is connected to the high head pump. There is a combined air and sand chamber with manhole and baffle and all necessary fittings; a complete vacuum pumping unit with motor, to exhaust air from the piping, pumps, air tank and sand chamber, to automatically keep the pumps fully and properly primed. The sand filter is connected to the pumping station which is of frame construction with roof and sidewalls covered with fireproof shingles.

The first step in operation of the plant is for the low head pump to take the water from the wells and discharge it by means of five 2½ inch distributors connected to spray nozzles into the marble chip filter where it is aerated and filtered through 14 inches of white Vermont marble chips which are placed over a layer of round gravel stones 9 inches in depth.

The water then flows by gravity to the coke filter where again by means of spray nozzles it is aerated and filtered through coke 7 feet in depth; thence by gravity to an inlet well in the sand filter, where it passes through clean sand placed over a layer of cleaned screened gravel stone 2 inches in depth, which will vary from 12 mesh to ¼ inch in diameter, placed over a 3 inch layer of gravel stone which will vary from ¼ inch to ¾ inch

in diameter placed over a 7 inch layer of gravel stone which will vary from ¾ inch to 2 inches in diameter; in other words the sand is placed over a layer of stone 12 inches in depth, under which four 12 inches split tile under-drains are laid to conduct the water by a 6 inch header to the clear water basin under the pumping station. The water is then pumped from the clear water basin by the high head pump and discharged into the standpipe. The pumps are automatically operated by float controls.

The result of the operation of the plant concluded on September 20th appeared very satisfactory when operating at the rate of 300 gallons per minute, which was the rate reckoned upon. The result of the analysis of the water was as follows:

Iron-parts per million	
Well water	1.10
In solution	.50
Effluent from marble chip filter	
Total	.48
In solution	.24
Effluent from coke filter	
Total	.24
In solution	.06

That is the iron removal was more than 80% bringing the total iron present not only below the amount allowed by the State Department of Public Health in a good water supply, viz., but below the U. S. Government standard of a good water supply, viz., 30. The effluent from the plant was absolutely satisfactory. The hardness of the water from the wells was 21 and that from the filter 30, according to the engineers, entirely satisfactory results.

Under date of October 31, 1939, a certificate from the engineers approving and accepting the work of Frank A. Days & Sons was received.



From November 13 to November 18 inclusive the plant was operated continuously at the rate of 300 gallons per minute, of 432,000 gallons per 24 hours; during the first two days the water was pumped to waste, but, beginning at 11 o'clock A. M. Thursday, November 16, the water from the new plant was turned into the system after first notifying the engineer at the main pumping station; the pumps at the main station were shut down at about 1:30 P. M. on that day and from then until Saturday morning, the 18th, the new plant was operated day and night and proved its efficiency by not only supplying the inhabitants with all water used, but also by keeping the stand-pipe practically full—that is to within about a foot of the top as shown by pressure gage readings. This had, however, been tested before. On Saturday, the 18th, after finish of the pumping, the filters, pumps, pipes, etc., were drained.

An engineer and chemist from the Department of Public Health were on duty at the plant during this test run and many samples were taken for analyses. The following is a copy of their report:

State House,, Boston, November 24, 1939

To the Board of Water Commissioners,  
Provincetown, Massachusetts.  
Gentlemen:

In response to the request contained in your letter of November 10, 1939 the Department of Public Health has caused tests to be made at the iron removal plant recently installed in connection with three gravel packed wells located at Day's Sand Pit, Provincetown. Plans for this plant were approved in the Department's communication to you dated July 6, 1939.

At the time of the recent test which was held on November 17, 1939, water was being treated at approxi-

mately the rate for which the plant was designed, viz., 432,000 gallons per day. Field tests were made and samples collected for analysis in the laboratories of this Department.

The filed tests showed that the amount of carbon dioxide gas present in the untreated or raw water was effectively reduced in passing through the plant and that a slight odor present in the raw was completely removed. The raw water contained a considerable amount of color probably due to the presence of iron but this was considerably reduced in passing through the three filters. The amount of iron present in the raw water also was effectively reduced and the amount of iron contained in the standards for water to be used for drinking and culinary purposes on common carriers in interstate commerce.

In the opinion of the Department the iron removal plant was operating satisfactorily at the time of the test. When the plant is placed in regular operation it should be carefully supervised at least during the initial period of its operation. This Department will then cause additional tests to be made, if you so request.

Respectfully,

Paul J. Jakmauh, M. D.,  
Commissioner of Public Health.

When the plant is shut down for the winter all rain and melted snow in the sand filter settles in the basin under the pump house and as no means for drainage has been provided this constitutes a serious menace should this water be allowed to freeze. Therefore, to overcome this situation your committee has purchased a 2A Redi-Prime pump from the American-Marsh Pump Company, also suction hose for the same. As a protection to the plant we have caused to be erected a wire fence 6 feet



in height enclosing all the structures. The following is a statement of expenditures and balance remaining as of December 31, 1939.

Frank A. Days & Sons—Land	\$ 1,000.00	
Fence	930.00	
Extra work, cost plus 15 %	147.51	
Steps, Concrete Walks, etc.	127.46	
		\$ 2,204.97
Wells, Pipe, Labor	\$ 3,800.00	
Filters, Pumps, Station	18,430.00	
		\$24,434.97
Electricity	\$ 92.62	
Engineers	1,778.40	
Labor	12.80	
B. H. Dyer Co.	.95	
Express	9.50	
J. S. Ramos	1.50	
Pump for draining filter	200.00	
Suction hose	24.01	
Advertising	43.63	
Allen & Allen	11.59	
E. J. Rivard	6.00	
	\$26,615.97	\$26,615.97
Balance		384.03
		\$27,000.00

Your committee are of the opinion that the new plant can deliver approximately 432,000 gallons of good quality water per 24 hours, provided there is an ample field of water from which to draw, and we are assured by the engineers that there is in this location an adequate field to meet our needs, and we of necessity must

rely on that opinion and sincerely trust that this problem is solved for all time.

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Perry  
 Frank S. Alves  
 Warren Alexander  
 Water Commissioners.  
 Frank S. Bent.  
 Jesse W. Paine  
 Charles N. Rogers  
 Committee.

Moved and carried that the report be accepted and the Committee discharged.

On motion Article 18 was taken up.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 14, Chapter 45 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and to establish a Recreation Commission. Moved that Article 18 be indefinitely postponed. Motion carried.

On motion Article 25 was taken up.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 32, to 48, Chapter 147 of the General Laws of Massachusetts to license boxing matches in the Town of Provincetown.

Moved that the Town vote to accept Section 32, to 48, Chapter 147 of the General Laws of Massachusetts to license boxing matches in the Town of Provincetown. Motion carried.

On motion Article 7 was taken up.

ARTICLE 7. To choose the following Town Officers on one ballot:

One Selectman and Public Welfare, for three years.  
 One Assessor, for three years.



- One Town Clerk and Treasurer, for three years.
- One Collector of Taxes, for three years.
- One Auditor, for one year.
- One Water Commissioner, for three years.
- One Member of School Committee, for three years.
- One Cemetery Commissioner, for three years.
- One Member of Board of Health, for three years.
- One Member of Board of Health, for two years.
- One Monument Committee, for one year.
- One Tree Warden, for one year.
- Three Trustees of the Public Library, for three years.
- Five Constables, for one year.

Moved that this meeting be adjourned, at which time Article 7 shall be considered and the Polls be open at 11 o'clock A. M. and remain open until 6 P. M. The results of the election of Town Officers will be announced at 7:30 P. M. at which time the meeting will reconvene. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned to the Caucus Hall for the purpose of balloting on the above on one ballot, and the polls were declared open at 11 A. M.

Election officers: Frank A. Days, Jr., Ballot Clerk; George Rogers, Louis M. Snow, Thomas Francis, Fred H. Dearborn, John A. Francis, Jr., John S. Silva, Arthur C. Patrick, Joseph A. Marshall, Arthur B. Silva, William F. Silva, Charles F. Williams, Richard Jennings, Lloyd H. Higgins, Joshua E. Winslow, Charles DeRiggs, Tellers.

The Tellers were supplied with lists of the registered voters of the town, the ballot box shown to be empty and the key delivered to Chief of Police Anthony P. Tarvers. The first fifty ballots were taken from the ballot box at 11:10 A. M. and at 6 P. M. the polls were closed, 1499 ballots having been cast, and which were counted in blocks of fifty each.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P. M. and the result of the election was read by the Moderator. Selectman and Public Welfare, three years.

Joseph A. Lewis	99
Nathaniel Edwin Lewis	805
William J. McCaffrey	350
Marion Perry	227

Assessor, three years.	
Joseph A. Lewis	105
Nathaniel Edwin Lewis	790
William J. McCaffrey	342
Marion Perry	223

Town Clerk and Treasurer, three years.	
George S. Chapman	1233

Collector of Taxes, three years.	
John A. Dutra	1240

Auditor, one year.	
Benjamin R. Chapman	1203

Water Commissioner, three years.	
Warren A. Alexander	1226

School Committee, three years.	
Sivert J. Benson	1244
James A. Vitelli	143

Cemetery Commissioner, three years.	
John A. Cook	1098

Board of Health, two years (fill vacancy).	
Ernest F. Costa	426
Helen C. Pierce	882

Board of Health, three years.	
Harry H. Lehsten	923
Anthony E. Silva	445

Monument Committee, one year.	
John F. Joseph	1061



Tree Warden, one year.	
William C. Pierce	644
Horace S. Watson	624
Trustees Public Library, three years.	
J. Arthur Lopes	1076
John F. Rosenthal	934
William M. Smith	917
Constables, one year.	
Joseph Agna	970
Ernest F. Costa	540
Bernard DeRiggs	1058
Harry H. Lehsten	1004
Albert B. Loring	641
Frank Nolet	788
Charles N. Rogers	922

Article 3 was the first Article taken up at the evening session.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year, beginning January 1, 1940 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1940, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise

and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Christmas Tree Lighting.

Mr. William Paige, chairman of the Finance Committee said that although the Finance Committee were cutting expenses wherever possible, this money had been appropriated the past two years and it gave a great many children pleasure.

Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Christmas Tree Lighting. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 6. To appropriate and raise by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be required, to defray the Town charges for the financial year ending December 31, 1940, for the following purposes, viz:

- 1st General Government
- 2nd Protection of Persons and Property
- 3rd Health and Sanitation
- 4th Highways
- 5th Charities and Soldiers' Benefits
- 6th Education and Libraries
- 7th Recreation and Unclassified
- 8th Public Service Enterprises
- 9th Interest and Maturing Debt

Moved that each item under this Article be taken up separately. Motion carried.

Item 1. General Government, Moderator \$50.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Moderator. Finance Committee \$50.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Finance Committee. Selectmen's Salaries \$1080.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1080.00 for Selectmen's Salaries. Selectmen's Expense \$350.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 for Selectmen's Expense. Town Clerk's Salary \$750.00. Town Clerk's Expense



\$500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for Town Clerk's Salary and \$500.00 for Town Clerk's Expense. Town Treasurer's Salary \$750.00. Town Treasurer's Expense and Bond \$300.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 for Town Treasurer's Salary and \$300.00 for Treasurer Expenses. Assessors' Salaries \$1,440.00. Assessors' Expenses \$400.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,440.00 for Assessors' Salaries and \$400.00 for Assessors' Expenses. Tax Collector's Salary, \$1,000.00. Tax Collector Expenses and Bond \$600.00. Voted that the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Tax Collector's Salary and \$600.00 for Tax Collector's Expenses. Auditor's Salary \$300.00. Auditor's Expense \$25.00. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for Auditor's Salary, and \$25.00 for Auditor's Expense. Legal Expenses \$500.00. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for Legal Expenses. Election and Registration Salaries \$300.00. Voted that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for Election and Registration Salaries. Election and Registration Expenses \$700.00. The appropriation asked for and recommended by the Finance Committee had been raised from \$450.00 in 1939 to \$700.00 in 1940. Mr. Paige explained that this was owing to the State and National elections to be held this year. Voted that the sum of \$700.00 be raised and appropriated for Election and Registration Expenses. Town Hall \$3,500.00. Voted that the sum of \$3,500.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Hall maintenance.

Item 2. Protection of Persons and Property. Police Salaries \$6,800.00. Mr. Paige explained that the increase in the amount of salaries was due to the fact that last year the third officer did not go on duty until March 1st, while this year he would be on duty the full 12

months. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,800.00 for Police Salaries. Criminal Prosecution \$200.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Criminal Prosecution. Police Expense \$600.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for Police Expense. Maintenance of Police Car \$500.00. There was \$100.00 more asked for maintenance of Police Car this year, owing to the fact that last year the insurance was \$115.00, which has to be paid out of the money for maintenance. Voted that the sum of \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for Maintenance of Police Car. Traffic Signs \$250.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for Traffic Signs. Fire Dept Salaries \$2,400.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,400.00 for Fire Dept. Salaries. Fire Dept. Expenses \$2,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Fire Dept. Expenses. Insurance on Firemen \$398.75. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$398.75 for Insurance on Firemen. Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary \$150.00. Sealer of Weights and Measures Expense \$100.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary and \$100.00 for Expenses. Moth Extermination \$1,000.00. The amount requested and recommended by the Finance Committee showed an increase of \$700.00 over last year. It was explained that this was because there is a W. P. A. project which will employ 21 men. For the \$1,000.00 appropriated by the Town they would receive \$3,405.00 for labor from the Federal Government. Mr. Charles Roderick, the Moth Superintendent said that last year they had about 55 men employed and that the State Superintendent had recommended his \$1,000.00 appropriation. He said that there is a great deal of spraying to be done at the East End. Mr. N. Edwin Lewis said that he hoped this



amount would be appropriated as it was an opportunity to put men to work who are on the Board of Welfare rolls. After considerable discussion as to just what this work would include, Mr. Paige said that the Finance Committee had recommended this \$1,000.00 with the understanding that the money from the Government definitely would be received, and he offered an amendment that if the Federal Government fund was not received the sum of \$300.00 would be used instead. Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Moth Extermination and that \$300.00 only be used of this amount unless the Federal Government matches the above \$1,000.00. Motion carried. Tree Warden \$5.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5.00 for Tree Warden.

Item 3. Health and Sanitation. General Health \$3,000.00. Salaries, three members \$300.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for General Health and the sum of \$300.00 for salaries of three members. Salary of Agent \$1,140.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,140.00 for salary of Agent. The salary of the Agent of the Board of Health was increased \$100.00 as heretofore he had been using his own car and it was felt that there should be some money provided for a car. Rubbish Disposal \$2,500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for Rubbish Disposal. Visiting Nurse \$1,700.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 for Visiting Nurse. Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering \$75.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering.

Item 4. Highways. Salaries of Superintendent and Assistant \$2,520.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,520.00 for Salaries of Superintendent and Assistant. Roads and Walks \$8,500.00.

Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500.00 for Roads and Walks. Street Lighting \$5,600.00. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,600.00 for Street Lighting.

Item 5. Charities and Soldier's Benefits. Public Welfare Dept. Salaries \$1,080.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,080.00 for Public Welfare Dept. Salaries. Public Welfare Dept. Expenses \$450.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for Public Welfare Dept. Expenses. The expenses of the Welfare Dept. were raised \$250.00 to provide for an Investigator. This \$250.00 to be used instead of the \$780.00 asked for in Article 19. Outside Poor \$8,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for Outside Poor. Infirmary \$3,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for Infirmary. Mother's Aid \$3,500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for Mother's Aid. State Aid \$200.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for State Aid. Military Aid \$500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Military Aid. Soldier's Relief \$3,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for Soldier's Relief. Old Age Assistance \$15,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Item 6. Education and Library. Maintenance of Schools \$57,490.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$57,490.00 for Maintenance of Schools. Insurance on Public Buildings \$2,530.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,530.00 for Insurance on Public Buildings. Public Library \$3,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for Public Library.

Item 7. Recreation and Unclassified. Armistice Day



\$100.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Armistice Day. Memorial Day \$150.00. Voted that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for Memorial Day. Reserve Fund \$1,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for Reserve Fund. Town Reports and Finance Committee Reports \$780.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$780.00 for Town Reports and Finance Committee Reports. Bounty on Seals \$50.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Bounty on Seals.

Item 8. Public Service Enterprises. Town Pier Maintenance \$5,000.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 for Town Pier Maintenance. Salary and Labor \$100.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Salary and Labor on Town Pier. Salary—Three Commissioners \$150.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for Salary of Three Commissioners of Town Pier. Water Dept. Salaries \$9,240.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,240.00 for Salaries of the Water Dept. Water Dept. Expenses \$10,710.00. Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,710.00 for expense of the Water Dept. Mr. Marion Perry explained that the additional in this appropriation would be used primarily as follows: \$1,500.00 for 20 new well points at the pumping station, \$1,000.00 for maintenance of the new plant and \$600.00 for a new car for the Dept. Mr. Charles Rogers said that there was an unexpended balance from the new plant, and he felt this could be transferred to the expense account for maintenance. He therefore offered the following amendment: That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,340.41 and the unexpended balance from the new plant for expense of the Water Dept. Mr. Perry said that he did not think it possible to use the money after the Committee had

been discharged. After considerable discussion Mr. Rogers withdrew his amendment and the original motion was carried. Town Cemeteries \$500.00. Moved that the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Town Cemeteries. After the motion had been made Mr. Joseph Nunes offered an amendment that \$600.00 be appropriated this year. He explained that a great deal of the fence at the Old Cemetery had to be replaced. However the Moderator ruled the amendment out of order and the original motion for \$500.00 was carried. Veterans' Graves \$100.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for Veterans' Graves. Airport \$600.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for Airport. W. P. A. \$2,500.00. Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for W. P. A. The amount asked for in the W. P. A. appropriation was \$1,000.00 more than last year. Mr. Jesse Rogers explained that this was because of a project to feed undernourished children in the schools, which would employ 6 or 8 women. The Government would furnish the payroll and also such commodities as were thought to be of value. Other supplies would be furnished by the Town. Motion was carried that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 for W. P. A. Shell Fish Constable \$25.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for Shell Fish Constable. This item was cut this year to \$25.00 as the Finance Committee felt that \$25.00 was sufficient salary for a Shell Fish Constable. Inspector of Wires \$50.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for Inspector of Wires.

At this time Mr. Frank Barnett moved that Article 30 be taken up as the owners of the property were in the Hall. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$22,000.00 for acquiring at



private sale a parcel of land owned by Victor M. Lewis, for a parking place.

Moved that the sum of twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000.00) be raised and appropriated to acquire by private sale, land owned by Victor M. Lewis as hereinafter described, for a public parking place; that four thousand dollars be raised from the current levy of the present year, and two thousand dollars be raised during the years 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948 and 1950; that notes for two thousand dollars each be issued, maturing in each year specified; and that the Town Treasurer be hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to issue said notes.

Description of land: Beginning at a spike on the North side of Commercial Street and the West side of Standish Street; thence running S 55-23' W by said Commercial Street; 10.77' to a stud; thence running S 65-41'-50" W by said Commercial Street 26.65' to a drill hole in the concrete sidewalk by the land of Victor M. Lewis; thence turning and running N 15-03'-10" W by the land of said Lewis 183.97' to a stake; thence turning and running S 76-11'-00" W by the land of said Lewis 3.34' to a stone bound at the Southeast corner of land of William J. McCaffrey et ux (Registered Land; Land Court Case No. 16498) thence turning and running N. 12-19'-20" W by the land of said McCaffrey et ux 94.01' to a stone bound; thence turning and running N 26-20'-06" W by the land of said William J. McCaffrey 41.45' to a stone bound by the land of Victor M. Lewis thence turning and running S 72-04'-13" W by land of said Lewis 49.81' to a stone bound by the land of Josephine M. Wheeler; thence turning and running N 18-00'-50" W by the land of said Wheeler 64.26' to a spike on the South side of Bradford Street; thence turning and running N 51-03'-0" E by said Bradford Street 80.59' to a spike on the West side of Standish Street; thence turning

and running S 32-14'-20" E by said Standish Street 69.02' to a stake; thence turning and running S 08-26'-20" E by said Standish Street 83.00' to a stake; thence turning and running S 10-01'-20" E by said Standish Street 23.31' to a stake; thence turning and running S 17-12'-50" E by said Standish Street 153.32' to a stake; thence turning and running S 20-52'-40" E by said Standish Street 80.57' to the first mentioned spike on the North side of Commercial Street.

For further description see plan of Francis S. Alves, C. E., dated January 26, 1940.

Mr. Richard Miller made a motion for rejection but this was ruled out of order by the Moderator. Mr. Charles Rogers then moved that the Lewis brothers, owners of the property, be invited to seats on the floor. This motion was carried. Mr. Miller then asked what was the amount paid for the property. Mr. Sam Lewis answered that they had paid \$24,000.00 exclusive of expenses, so that in all the property stood the Lewises approximately \$26,000.00. He was then asked what the property was assessed for, and if the building on Bradford Street was included in the sale. He said the property was assessed for \$15,700 and that the building was included. Mr. William Paige then said that the Finance Committee did not recommend this purchase. For one thing they felt that it would make the tax rate too high to pay \$22,000.00, also that the price was exorbitant. He said that two thirds of the people in the town are very poor and salaries small and that the other third does not own all the real estate. Mr. Benjamin Chapman said that the total property included in the sale was assessed for only \$6,700.00. Mr. Lewis said that they did not want to sell the land, that they did not seek out the Town but that the Town came to them, and that they had been trying since 1910 to purchase the land under the New York Store from the railroad. Last



year because the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad was in receivership, competitive bidding was solicited. Having been on the property 32 years they were interested and after making inquiries found that a citizen of Provincetown had bid between \$23,000.00 and \$24,000.00. They bid \$24,000.00 and got the land. He added that the land was worth \$40,000.00 or more. The Seamen's Savings Bank had loaned \$15,000.00 and that a bank is not permitted by law to loan more than 60 % of a fair value.

The motion was then put to a vote and was not carried.

On motion it was voted to take up Article 31.

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 for acquiring at private sale, a parcel of land owned by Victor M. Lewis, for a public parking space.

Moved that the sum of eleven thousand dollars be raised and appropriated to acquire by private sale land owned by Victor M. Lewis as hereinafter describer, for a public parking place; that three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) be raised from the current tax levy of the present year, and that two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) be raised during the years 1941, 1942, 1943, and 1944; that notes for two thousand dollars each be issued, maturing in each of the years specified; and that the Town Treasurer be hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to issue said notes.

Mr. William Paige said that the Finance Committee did not recommend this for the same reasons as Article 30. He said that they felt that it should be all or nothing and that the price was too high for all. After considerable discussion this motion was not carried.

On motion it was voted to take up Article 34.

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to take by right of eminent domain the unoccupied land to the West of Standish Street, between Bradford and Commercial Streets, and the unoccupied land to the South of Bradford Street, at the junction of Standish Street, for the purpose of widening Standish Street and Bradford Street.

Moved that the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized, to take by right of eminent domain, in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 79 (Ter. Ed.) for public use the unoccupied land to the West side of Standish Street, between Bradford and Commercial Streets and the unoccupied land to the South of Bradford at the junction of Standish Street for the purpose of widening Standish Street and Bradford Street and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a spike on the North side of Commercial Street and the West side of Standish Street thence running S 55-23'-20" W by said Commercial Street 10.77' to a stud; thence turning and running S 65-41'-50" W by said Commercial Street 26.65' to a drill hole in the concrete sidewalk by the land of Victor M. Lewis; thence turning and running N 15-03'-10" W by the land of said Lewis 183.97' to a stake; thence turning and running S 76-11'-00" W by the land of said Lewis 3.34' to a stone bound at the Southeast corner of the land of William J. McCaffrey et ux; thence turning N 12-19'-20" W by the land of said McCaffrey 94.01' to a stone bound; thence turning and running N 26-20'-06" W by the land of said William J. McCaffrey 41.45' to a stone bound of Victor M. Lewis; thence turning and running S 72-04'-13" W by the land of said Lewis 49.81' to a stone bound by the land of Josephine M. Wheeler; thence turning and running N 18-00'-50" W by the land of said Wheeler 64.26' to a spike on the South side of Bradford Street; thence turning and running N 51-03'-10" E by said Bradford Street 80.59' to a spike on the W side of Standish Street; thence turn-



ing and running S 32-14'-20"E by said Standish Street 69.02' to a stake; thence turning and running S 08-26'-20" E by said Standish Street 83.00' to a stake; thence turning and running S 10-01'-20" E by said Standish Street 23.31' to a stake; thence turning and running S 17-12'-50" E by said Standish Street 153.32' to a stake; thence turning and running S 20-52'-40" E by said Standish Street 80.57' to the first mentioned spike on the North side of Commercial Street. And when the order of taking is adopted by the Selectmen, they shall award damages of not greater than the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00).

This motion was presented by William F. Silva. He said that he felt this was a public necessity for safety and convenience and that a portion of the street had been used for years by the citizens of the Town. If this street were widened it would serve as a fire break for the center of the Town. Standish Street is a very busy street and has been wide for a good many years, and if narrowed the Town would be creating a hazard and that if widened every auto owner and pedestrian would benefit. He added that if this street was improved the Town would assess betterments and thus raise the valuation.

Mr. Joseph Days said that the Town had a chance to widen the street for \$11,000.00 and that taking it by eminent domain might cost \$50,000.00 and should be left alone. Mr. James Vitelli said that the Town needs a civic center and a means of relieving summer congestion. He said that other places on the Cape had taken land by eminent domain and had not had to pay high damages. Damages was based on the assessed value for the past three years, and that there was nothing to worry about in eminent domain. Robert A. Welsh then turned his position as Moderator over to Charles N. Rogers, and spoke against this notion. He said that he had never heard of taking land for a fire break and if

this were done many streets should be widened for the same purpose. He said that the laws of this Town do not allow betterments to be assessed and that a civic center is a fine thing but the taxes are going up and have to be kept down. He added that one can never tell what a jury is going to do and that when a Town is a defendant the tendency is for the jury to "soak" the Town. Chief of Police Tarvers said that the congestion in 1938 was so bad on Standish Street that in 1939 it had to be made a one way street although there had been a great many complaints. With the State highway running into Provincetown being improved and more and more summer visitors every thing possible should be done to provide places for them to park.

Just before the vote was taken, Mr. Victor Lewis asked if the voters realized that Standish Street would be 60 feet wide if the land was taken by eminent domain. He said also that they would be perfectly willing to see the matter go to a jury as they felt they would fare all right with damages.

Vote was taken and the motion was not carried.

On motion Item 9 of Article 6 was taken up.

Item 9. Interest and Maturing Debt. Interest on Temporary Loans \$500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for Interest on Temporary Loans. Interest on Funded Debt \$1,777.50. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,777.50 for Interest on Funded Debt. Maturing Debt \$9,500.00. Voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,500.00 for Maturing Debt. On motion meeting was adjourned at 11:25 P. M. until Tuesday at 7:30 P. M.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 P. M. Tuesday.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise



and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the Provincetown Band for band concerts during the months of July and August, 1940.

Mr. William Paige moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the Provincetown Band for band concerts during the months of July and August, 1940. He said that although \$300.00 had been asked \$100.00 had been appropriated last year, that the Finance Committee felt that expenses should be cut wherever possible although they were in sympathy with this movement. Mr. Manuel Cook said that the band played all summer and that music cost a great deal. If the Town had to hire a band it would be very expensive. The men do not receive any of the money, it all goes for expenses. Mr. Antone Dennis said that this money is spent for music and that they have to have 10 numbers for each concert. Standard selections can be repeated and that they are trying to get a library of music. The members are faithful but cannot go into their own pockets. After considerable discussion Mr. Marion Perry offered an amendment that the \$100.00 be stricken out and the sum of \$300.00 be inserted. The amendment to the motion was carried and the sum of \$300.00 was appropriated.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$500.00 to be paid to the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the hospital for the care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the Town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74, of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto, and act fully thereon.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be paid to the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in

the hospital for the care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the Town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74, of Chapter 111 of the General Laws.

Mr. N. E. Lewis said that he felt this was one of the finest things the Town does and that they could use \$1,500.00 although \$500.00 goes a long way. Mr. B. R. Chapman said that he felt a detailed accounting of this money should be inserted in the Town Report. Motion was carried.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 provided that the State allots the same amount for the reseeding of shell fish in depleted areas of Provincetown Harbor.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 provided that the State allots the same amount for the reseeding of shell fish in depleted areas of Provincetown Harbor.

Mr. William Paige explained that it is hard to get a bucket full of clams on a tide and if there were clams there, the citizens would get the benefit, and some could earn a few dollars. Mr. Frank Flores said that the last time this was done the clams died and how could the citizens be assured this would not happen again. Mr. Paige said he could not assure it and it was not the job of the Finance Committee. Mr. Jesse Rogers said that this Article was in the Warrant because some of the townspeople who go to the flats for clams had asked the Selectmen to do something so there would be clams. He had talked to the Supervisor of Marine Fisheries and asked if the State would match the money appropriated by the Town. He was told that they would and also that the State was planning to make a survey as this was some of the resources of the Town. If this survey is made and the flats properly reseeded, it would mean



six or seven times more income. Motion was carried.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used for dental work for needy children from the age of 6 to 10 years old and that a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to have full charge of the expenditures. This work to be done in clinic form and that the School Nurse be one of the committee of three to be appointed.

Mr. Frank Flores moved that this Article be laid on the Table. He said that he had discussed this matter with the Finance Committee and agreed with them that this should be laid on the table. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Race Road extending from Pleasant Street to Franklin Street.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Race Road extending from Pleasant Street to Franklin Street provided funds are procured from a W. P. A. State Project for roads.

Mr. Jesse Rogers said that this was not recommended by the Finance Committee, but at the time they did not have the information about the W. P. A. project. If the Town appropriated this money they could get approximately \$4,000.00 from the State. After a good deal of discussion as to the condition of Race Road this motion was carried.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Montello Street starting at Bradford Street to the lower end of Montello Street.

Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to resurface that part of Montello Street

starting at Bradford Street to the lower end of Montello Street provided funds are procured from a W. P. A. project for roads. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for light, heat and repairs to the Eastern School Building.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for light, heat and repairs to the Eastern School Building.

Mr. William Paige said that the reason the Finance Committee recommended this appropriation was that the Community Center is located in this building and so many get the benefit from it. Last year the same sum was appropriated and the Finance Committee felt that it is doing so much good that the Town should do its part. Motion was carried by a vote of 66 Yes to 45 No.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 to purchase a new fire truck.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00 to purchase a new fire truck, that the Chief of the Fire Department and the Board of Fire Engineers be appointed as a committee to purchase the same.

Mr. William Paige said that the Finance Committee did not recommend this appropriation and hoped that this would be brought up again but not this year. After some discussion Fire Chief Lewis said that they had enough trucks for regular fires but wanted this one for gasoline fires. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,300.00 to purchase and install two sirens.



Moved that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,300.00 to purchase and install two fire sirens, one on the Eastern School and one on the Western School and a committee of three be appointed to purchase and have same installed.

After the motion was made Mr. Bert Paige said that he felt that it should be decided if the siren we now have is practical before any more are bought. Mr. William Paige said that he understood that the one bought last year was to be placed on the Eastern School and he felt it should be moved down there. Mr. John Enos suggested that the Eastern School bell be rung for fires. Motion not carried.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to increase the salaries of the members of the Provincetown Fire Department.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 to increase the salaries of the members of the Provincetown Fire Department. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$780.00 for a Public Welfare Investigator.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$780.00 for a Public Welfare Investigator.

Mr. N. Edwin Lewis said that this question had been gone over by the Finance Committee and they had added \$250.00 to the expense of the Welfare Dept. to take care of it, but he wanted to bring the matter before the voters. He said he felt an Investigator was essential to the Welfare Dept. Mr. Bert Paige said that he felt this was just creating another job and that the Dept. had gotten along for years without an Investigator. Mr. Frank

Bent said he doubted the value of an Investigator, that there were many on relief now who made \$1,000.00 in the summer and an Investigator is not worth it if the job is not done. Mr. Frank Barnett said that he wanted to go on record as entirely opposed to an Investigator. Mr. William Paige said that under General Government \$250.00 had already been appropriated under the Welfare Expense with the understanding that this Article be laid upon the table and that the Chairman of the Welfare Dept. agreed to this. Mr. Jesse Rogers said that he felt as the Finance Committee did in the matter. Motion was not carried.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$143.00 to reimburse the City of Quincy for bills incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$143.00 to reimburse the City of Quincy for bills incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department.

Mr. Lewis explained that this was for a family that moved to Quincy 10 years ago, but still had a settlement in Provincetown. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to reimburse Joseph Nunes for bill incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to reimburse Joseph Nunes for bill incurred in 1937 by the Public Welfare Department. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$986.00 for unpaid bills incurred by the Public Welfare Department during the year 1939.



Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$986.00 for unpaid bills incurred by the Public Welfare Department during the year 1939. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to reimburse Hersey Taylor for bill incurred in 1936 by the Public Welfare Department.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to reimburse Hersey Taylor for bill incurred in 1936 by the Public Welfare Department. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to purchase, plant and maintain new trees within the limits of the Town.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 to purchase, plant and maintain new trees within the limits of the Town.

Mr. William Paige explained that although \$200.00 had been asked the Finance Committee felt that this should be cut in accordance with their policy of keeping appropriations down. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the feeding and propagation of game and stocking of ponds with fish within the Town limits, said money to be expended under the direction of a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator.

Mr. William Paige offered the following motion. Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the feeding and propagation of game and the stocking of ponds with fish within the Town limits, said money to be expended under the direction of a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator.

Motion was carried and the following committee was appointed by the Moderator: Edmund Steele, Antone Lopes and Joseph Days.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a parcel of land at the Fisherman Cold Storage, now owned by the Atlantic Coast Fisheries Corp., for a public parking space.

On motion it was voted to indefinitely postpone Article 27.

Moved that Articles 28, 29, 32 and 33 be taken up in conjunction and acted upon at the same time. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Atlantic Ave., opposite the premises of Mrs. Matilda Andrews and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on West Vine Street near the premises of Mrs. Lena Joseph and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Watson Court near the premises of Mrs. Ferreira and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain a street light on Brown Street near the premises of John Anthony and appropriate money for the same.

Moved that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the four locations for requested street lights and report to the next Special Town Meeting. Motion carried and the Moderator appointed the following



committee: Horace S. Watson, Bert H. Paige and James Vitelli.

ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Ambulance Fund.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the Ambulance Fund. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to purchase a parcel of land between Law Street and Bradford Street for a public way.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to purchase a parcel of land between Law Street and Bradford Street for a public way. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 to be expended in conjunction with funds of the State and County for Highway construction under the provision of Chapter 90 and authorize the Selectmen to enter into the necessary contracts.

Mr. Jesse Rogers moved that this Article be indefinitely postponed as they had a balance which could be used for this purpose. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Vocational Household Arts.

Moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for Vocational Household Arts.

Mr. William Paige explained that this had to be voted separately in order for the Town to be reimbursed by the State. Mr. Benjamin Chapman pointed out that

the Town is not reimbursed the full amount; out of \$9,000.00 appropriated in the past six years only \$1,504.34 had been returned to the Town. Motion was carried.

Moved that the reports and recommendations of Town Officers be accepted. Motion carried.

On motion meeting was dissolved at 9:50 P. M.

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.



## Report of Finance Committee

February 6, 1940

Citizens of Provincetown:

Your Finance Committee has received the requests of the various departments for appropriations for 1940, had conferences with each department head, and herewith presents the appropriation for 1939, the department requests for 1940 and the Committee's recommendations for 1940, and also their recommendations on the various articles in the Town Warrant.

	Appropriation 1939	Requested for 1940	Recommended by Committee
<b>General Government.</b>			
1. Legislative			
Moderator	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
Finance Committee	50.00	50.00	50.00
2. Selectmen			
Salaries	1,080.00	1,080.00	1,080.00
Expenses	350.00	350.00	350.00
3. Town Clerk			
Salary	750.00	750.00	750.00
Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00
4. Town Treasurer			
Salary	750.00	750.00	750.00
Expenses and Bond	300.00	300.00	300.00
5. Assessors			
Salaries	1,440.00	1,440.00	1,440.00
Expenses	400.00	400.00	400.00
6. Tax Collector			
Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Expenses and Bond	600.00	600.00	600.00
7. Auditor			
Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	25.00	25.00	25.00
8. Law			
Legal Expenses	500.00	500.00	500.00

9. Election and Registration			
Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
Expenses	450.00	700.00	700.00
10. Town Hall	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property</b>			
11. Police Salaries	6,600.00	6,800.00	6,800.00
Criminal Prosecution	200.00	200.00	200.00
Police Expense	700.00	600.00	600.00
Police Car	750.00		
Maintenance of Police Car	400.00	500.00	500.00
Traffic Signs		250.00	250.00
12. Fire Department			
Salaries	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Expenses	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Insurance on Firemen	400.00	398.75	398.75
13. Sealer of Weights and Measures			
Salary	300.00	300.00	150.00
Expenses	200.00	200.00	100.00
14. Moth Extermination	300.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
15. Tree Warden	5.00	5.00	5.00
<b>Health and Sanitation</b>			
16. Board of Health			
General Health	2,500.00	3,500.00	3,000.00
Salaries 3 Members	300.00	300.00	300.00
Salary of Agent	1,040.00	1,200.00	1,140.00
Rubbish Disposal	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,500.00
Visiting Nurse	1,700.00	2,500.00	1,700.00
Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering	75.00	75.00	75.00
<b>Highways</b>			
17. Salary of Supt. and Asst.	2,520.00	2,520.00	2,520.00
18. Roads and Walks	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
19. Street Lighting	5,525.00	5,600.00	5,600.00
<b>Charities and Soldiers' Benefits</b>			
20. Public Welfare Department			
Salaries	1,080.00	1,080.00	1,080.00
Expenses	200.00	450.00	450.00
21. Outside Poor	8,000.00	8,000.00	8,000.00
22. Infirmary	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
23. Mothers Aid	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
24. State Aid	200.00	200.00	200.00



25. Military Aid	500.00	500.00	500.00
27. Soldiers Relief	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
28. Old Age Assistance	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
<b>Education and Library</b>			
29. Maintenance of Schools	57,010.00	57,490.00	57,490.00
30. Insurance on Public Bldgs.	2,375.00	2,530.00	2,530.00
31. Public Library	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
<b>Recreation and Unclassified</b>			
32. Armistice Day	100.00	100.00	100.00
33. Memorial Day	150.00	150.00	150.00
34. Reserve Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
35. Town Reports and Finance Committee Reports	650.00	780.00	
36. Bounty on Seals		50.00	50.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises</b>			
37. Town Pier			
Maintenance	4,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Salary and Labor	600.00	600.00	600.00
Salary—3 Commissioners	150.00	150.00	150.00
38. Water Department			
Salaries	9,205.00	9,240.00	9,240.00
Expenses	8,295.00	10,710.00	10,710.00
39. Town Cemeteries	500.00	500.00	500.00
40. Veterans Graves	100.00	100.00	100.00
41. Airport	500.00	600.00	600.00
42. W. P. A.	1,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
43. Shell Fish Constable	50.00	50.00	25.00
44. Inspector of Wires	50.00	50.00	50.00
<b>Interest and Maturing Debt</b>			
45. Interest on Temporary Loans	400.00	500.00	500.00
46. Interest on Funded Debt	1,680.00	1,777.50	1,777.50
47. Maturing Debt	6,000.00	9,500.00	9,500.00
	<u>\$183,055.00</u>	<u>\$193,971.25</u>	<u>\$192,636.25</u>

### Articles in the Warrant

Of the Articles in the Warrant, on which it is your Committee's duty to make recommendations, we advise as follows:

- Article 5. Recommended.  
Article 8. Recommended \$100.00 be appropriated.

- Article 9. Recommended.  
Article 10. Recommended.  
Article 11. No action.  
Article 12. Not recommended.  
Article 13. Not recommended.  
Article 14. Recommended.  
Article 15. Not recommended.  
Article 16. Not recommended.  
Article 17. Recommended.  
Article 19. Not recommended.  
Article 20. Recommended.  
Article 21. Recommended.  
Article 22. Recommended.  
Article 23. Recommended.  
Article 24. Recommended \$100.00 be appropriated.  
Article 26. Recommended \$100.00 be appropriated.  
Article 27. No action.  
Article 28. Not recommended.  
Article 29. Not recommended.  
Article 30. Not recommended.  
Article 31. Not recommended.  
Article 32. Recommended.  
Article 33. Not recommended.  
Article 35. Recommended.  
Article 36. Recommended.  
Article 38. No action.  
Article 39. Recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

Finance Committee,  
William H. Paige, Chairman  
James Curran  
Horace S. Watson  
Joseph J. Roberts  
Frank J. Rowe  
Seraphine G. Steele  
William F. Gilman  
Joseph Creamer  
John R. Agna, Secretary



## PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

### Tuesday, April 30, at 12 o'clock

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown in the County of Barnstable Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Provincetown on Tuesday the Thirtieth day of April next, at 12 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

4 DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

4 ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

12 DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

12 ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Republican Party 15th Congressional Dist.

2 ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Republican Party 15th Congressional Dist.

4 DISTRICT DELEGATES to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 15th Congressional Dist.

4 ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES to the Na-

tional Convention of the Democratic Party 15th Congressional Dist.

DISTRICT MEMBERS OF STATE COMMITTEE—

(One Man and One Woman) for each political party for the Cape and Plymouth Senatorial District.

10 MEMBERS OF THE REPUBLICAN TOWN COMMITTEE.

10 MEMBERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC TOWN COMMITTEE.

The polls will be open from 12 noon to 4 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at stores of Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybodys Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Joseph Enos Market, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutlers Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch & Co., John A. Francis, J. D. Hilliard Co., Post Office and Board of Trade, in said Town, Seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 10th day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

JESSE D. ROGERS

N. EDWIN LEWIS

FRANK H. BARNETT

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

BERNARD DeRIGGS, Constable.



## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable ss.

April 20, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at stores of Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybody's Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Joseph Enos Market, Adam's Pharmacy, Cutler Pharmacy, Joseph Marshall, Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch Co., John A. Francis, J. D. Hilliard Co., Post Office and the Board of Trade seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

BERNARD DeRIGGS,

Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in Primaries, met at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the thirtieth day of April in the year 1940 and were called to order at 12 noon by Jesse D. Rogers, presiding officer. The following Primary officers were sworn in by the Town Clerk. Frank A. Days, Jr., Ballot Clerk; George Rogers, Louis M. Snow, Fred H. Dearborn, Charles F. Williams, Tellers. The register of the ballot box was set at zero, the key delivered to Chief of Police Anthony P. Tarvers. Tellers were supplied with lists of registered voters and the polls were declared open at 12 o'clock noon; at 4 P. M. the polls were closed, 80 ballots having been cast. 62 Republican and 18 Democratic ballots. These were counted by the officers and the following declared as the result:—

## REPUBLICAN PARTY

## Group 1. Delegates

William H. McMasters of Cambridge 2

Byron P. Hayden of Springfield	3
Harry P. Gibbs of Brockton	3
Selden G. Hill of Danvers	2

## Group 1. Alternate Delegates

Abbie L. Tebbets of Waltham	3
Burton S. Evans of Ayer	2
Annie L. Brown of Leominster	3
Lucius K. Thayer of Marblehead	1

## Group 2. Delegates

Leverett Saltonstall of Newton	40
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Beverly	39
Joseph W. Martin, Jr., of North Attleboro	37
John W. Haigis of Greenfield	39

## Group 2. Alternate Delegates

Mary B. Besse of Wareham	37
Orin S. Kenney of Beverly	38
Mary Phillips Bailey of Northampton	35
Irene Gowetz of Worcester	34

## Group 1. Delegates

George F. Cobb of Barnstable	16
Joseph D. Potter of West Bridgewater	14

## Group 1. Alternate Delegates

Gertrude C. Rich of Dennis	11
A. Florence Soule of Whitman	12

## Group 2. Delegates

Vernon W. Marr of Scituate	19
John A. Stitt of New Bedford	18

## Group 2. Alternate Delegates

Orrie C. Bumpus of Plymouth	17
Isabel K. Winsper of New Bedford	17

## Not Grouped. Delegates

Alfred M. Bessette of New Bedford	0
John M. Cawley of New Bedford	1



## State Committee

## Cape and Plymouth District

Robert E. French of Barnstable	44
Mary B. Besse of Wareham	36

## Town Committee

James R. Turner	46
William J. McCaffrey	49
A. Standish Pigeon	51
Richard A. Jennings	50
Frank O. Cass	52
Ralph S. Carpenter	47
Wilfred G. Slade	48
Helen S. Allen	51
James M. Burke	50
N. Edwin Lewis	7

## DEMOCRATIC PARTY

## Group. Delegates

David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	18
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge	16
John W. McCormack of Boston	16
Maurice J. Tobin of Boston	16
William H. Burke, Jr., of Hatfield	16
James M. Curley of Boston	16
Charles F. Hurly of Cambridge	16
Joseph B. Ely of Westfield	16
Francis E. Kelly of Boston	16
Roger L. Putman of Springfield	16
William J. Foley of Boston	16
Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester	16

## Group. Alternate Delegates

Henry K. Cushing of Brookline	13
Joseph A. Scolponeti of Boston	12
Elizabeth L. McNamara of Cambridge	12
Catherine K. Hanifin of Belchertown	12
Sadie H. Mulrone of Springfield	12
Clementina Langone of Boston	12

Anna A. Sharry of Worcester	12
Margaret M. O'Riordan of Boston	12
John Zielinski of Holyoke	12
Mary Maliotis of Boston	12
Michael J. Batal of Lawrence	13
Morris Kritzman of Boston	13

## Group. Delegates

Helen L. Buckley of Abington	15
August J. Cormier of New Bedford	14
Ralph Silva of New Bedford	14
Charles C. Paine of Barnstable	14

## Group. Alternate Delegates

Henry L. Murphy of Barnstable	16
Amedee Gautreau of Acushnet	14
Michael Zajac of New Bedford	13
Timothy J. Manning of New Bedford	13

## State Committee

## Cape and Plymouth District

Henry R. Conley of Whitman	9
Mary M. Crowley of Whitman	9

## Town Committee

Ruth Cabral	7
Alma D. Welsh	7
Beatrice M. Welsh	7
Frank M. Bent	7
John R. Agna	7
John S. Silva	7
Charles DeRiggs	7
Frank A. Days, Jr.	7
Joseph J. Roberts	7
Jesse D. Rogers	7

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.



# STATE PRIMARY

## Tuesday, September 17th, 1940

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown  
in the County of Barnstable Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall Tuesday, the 17th day of September, 1940 at 12 o'clock noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

Governor for this Commonwealth  
Lieutenant Governor for this Commonwealth  
Secretary of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth  
Treasurer and Receiver-General for this Commonwealth  
Auditor of the Commonwealth for this Commonwealth  
Attorney General for this Commonwealth  
Senator in Congress for this Commonwealth  
Representative in Congress for 15th Congressional District  
Councillor for 1st Councillor District  
Senator for Cape and Plymouth Senatorial District  
1 Representative in General Court for Second Representative District  
Clerk of Courts for Barnstable County  
Register of Deeds for Barnstable County  
County Commissioner (2) for Barnstable County

And for the Election of the following officers:

Three Delegates to the State Convention of the Republican Party

Two Delegates to the State Convention of the Democratic Party

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 4 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybodys Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Joseph Enos Market, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutlers Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch & Co., John A. Francis, J. D. Hilliard Co., Post Office and Board of Trade, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 3rd day of September, A. D. 1940.

JESSE D. ROGERS

N. EDWIN LEWIS

FRANK H. BARNETT

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

BERNARD DeRIGGS, Constable.

### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable ss.

September 3, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at the stores of Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybody's



Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Joseph Enos Market, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch Co., John A. Francis, J. D. Hilliard Co., Post Office and Board of Trade, seven days before the date hereof as within directed.

BERNARD DeRIGGS,  
Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in Primaries, met at the Town Hall, in said Town on Tuesday the seventeenth day of September, in the year 1940, and were called to order at 12 noon by Jesse D. Rogers, presiding officer. The following Primary officers were sworn in by the Town Clerk: Frank A. Days, Jr., Ballot Clerk; John S. Silva, Charles DeRiggs, Fred Dearborn, George Rogers and Louis M. Snow, Tellers. The register of the ballot box was set at 0, then locked and the key delivered to Chief of Police Anthony P. Tarvers. Tellers were supplied with lists of registered voters and the polls were declared open at 12 noon; at 4 P. M. the polls were closed, 240 Republican and 46 Democratic ballots having been cast. These were counted by the officers and the following declared as the result:—

#### REPUBLICAN PARTY

Governor	
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton	219
Lieutenant Governor	
Horace T. Cahill of Braintree	211
Secretary	
Frederick W. Cook of Somerville	226
Treasurer	
William E. Hurley of Boston	217

Auditor	
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	213
Attorney General	
Clarence A. Barnes of Mansfield	42
Robert T. Bushnell of Newton	13
William C. Crossley of Fall River	159
Edmund R. Dewing of Wellesley	8
Michael A. Fredo of Arlington	1
George W. Roberts of Boston	9
Senator in Congress	
Henry Parkman, Jr., of Boston	195
Congressman, Fifteenth District	
Charles L. Gifford of Barnstable	184
Harry L. Avery of Bourne	21
William McAuliffe of New Bedford	14
Councillor, First District	
Edgar S. Lindsay of Brockton	110
Harold W. Jones of Taunton	14
Fred W. Steele of New Bedford	80
Senator, Cape and Plymouth District	
Donald W. Nicholson of Wareham	196
Representative in General Court	
Second Barnstable District	
Edwin F. Eldredge of Chatham	200
Clerk of Courts, Barnstable County	
Herbert C. Hase of Dennis	24
Henry A. Ellis of Barnstable	53
Sydney T. Knott of Barnstable	19
Henry F. Smith of Harwich	7
Donald G. Trayser of Barnstable	83
William A. Winsor of Sandwich	40
Register of Deeds, Barnstable County	
Nathaniel P. Coleman of Barnstable	105
Benjamin F. Sears of Dennis	112



## County Commissioners, Barnstable County

Charles W. Megathlin of Barnstable	80
Ernest C. Eldredge, Jr., of Chatham	72
Edwin H. Kidder of Chatham	103
John G. Lewis of Bourne	43
William J. Lockhart of Falmouth	26
Norman E. Williams of Barnstable	64

## Delegates to State Convention

A. Standish Pigeon of Provincetown	164
Helen S. Allen	153
Frank O. Cass	178

## DEMOCRATIC PARTY

## Governor

Paul A. Dever of Cambridge	31
Francis E. Kelly of Boston	11

## Lieutenant Governor

John C. Carr of Medford	11
Owen A. Gallagher of Boston	11
Francis P. Kelley of Milton	14
Michael Phillip McCarron of Lowell	0
Charles E. O'Neill of Danvers	5
Raymond A. Willett, Jr., of Woburn	0

## Secretary

Albert L. Fish of Boston	6
Katherine A. Foley of Lawrence	14
Arthur Michael MacCarthy of Winthrop	7
Albert E. Morris of Everett	7

## Treasurer

Ernest J. Brown of Medford	1
Patrick M. Cahill of Peabody	9
Joseph W. Doherty of Brookline	9
John J. Donahue of Somerville	7
John J. McGrath of Boston	5

## Auditor

Thomas J. Buckley of Boston	29
Thomas P. Flaherty of Boston	1
William P. Husband, Jr., of Belmont	7
Leo D. Walsh of Boston	1

## Attorney General

John H. Backus of New Bedford	18
James H. Brennan of Boston	4
Thomas M. Burke of Boston	3
Joseph V. Carroll of Belmont	4
Jeannette C. Chisholm of Waltham	1
Joseph Finnegan of Boston	0
John W. Lyons of Cambridge	0
Edward A. Tyan of Worcester	3
Harold W. Sullivan of Boston	4

## Senator in Congress

David I. Walsh of Fitchburg	39
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## Congressman, Fifteenth District

George F. Backus of New Bedford	31
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## Councillor, First District

Joseph P. Clark, Jr., of Fall River	8
J. Dolan Hathaway of Fall River	7
F. Milton McGrath of Brockton	8

## Senator, Cape and Plymouth District

No votes cast

## Representative in General Court

## Second Barnstable District

Frank Flores of Provincetown	30
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## Clerk of Courts, Barnstable County

Henry Ellis of Barnstable	1
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## Register of Deeds, Barnstable County

No votes cast



County Commissioners, Barnstable County	
Anthony R. Francis of Truro	22
Delegates to State Convention	
Frank Flores	3
Lawrence Lyle	2
Warren Alexander	8
Alma D. Welsh	8

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.

## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

### Friday, September 20th, 1940

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown  
in the County of Barnstable Greeting:

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Provincetown on Friday, the 20th day of September next, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of fifty-three hundred dollars from the over-lay surplus account, \$3,532.00 for Old Age Assistance and \$1,768.00 for Aid to Dependent Children for the months of September and October 1940.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybodys Market, Ernest DeSilva, B. H. Dyer Co., Joseph Enos Market, Allen & Allen, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler Pharmacy, Charles F. Williams, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, Joseph A. Marshall, C. L. Burch & Son, J. A. Francis, Post Office and Board of Trade, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.



Given under our hands this 10th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

JESSE D. ROGERS  
N. EDWIN LEWIS  
FRANK H. BARNETT

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:  
BERNARD DeRIGGS, Constable.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Barnstable ss.

September 11, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybody's Market, Ernest DeSilva, B. H. Dyer Co., J. Enos Market, Allen & Allen, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler Pharmacy, Charles F. Williams, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, Joseph Marshall, C. L. Burch & Son, J. A. Francis, Post Office and Board of Trade seven days before the date hereof, as within directed.

BERNARD DeRIGGS,  
Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, met at the Town Hall, on Friday the 20th of September, 1940, and were called to order at 7:30 P. M. by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Robert A. Welsh was elected Moderator and sworn in by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Fifty-three Hundred Dollars (\$5,300.00) from the Overlay Surplus Account, \$3,532.00 for Old Age Assistance and \$1,768.00 for Aid to Dependent Children for the months of September and October 1940.

Moved that the Town vote to transfer the sum of \$5,300.00 from the Overlay Surplus Account, \$3,532.00 for Old Age Assistance and \$1,768.00 for Aid to Dependent Children for the months of September and October 1940. Motion carried.

On motion meeting was dissolved at 7:45 P. M.

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.



## Presidential and State Election Tuesday, November 5th, 1940

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown  
in the County of Barnstable Greeting:

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the 5th day of November next, at 12 o'clock noon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

To bring in their votes for Presidential Electors, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, Attorney-General, Senator in Congress, Representative in Congress 15th District, Councillor, Senator for the Cape Senatorial District, Representative in General Court for the 2nd Barnstable District, Clerk of Courts for Barnstable County, Register of Deeds for Barnstable County, County Commissioners (2).

To vote on the following Questions, mark a Cross X in the Square at the right of YES or NO:—

To obtain a full expression of opinion, voters should vote on all three of the following questions:—

(a) If a voter desires to permit the sale in this city (or town) of any and all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold, he will vote "YES" on all three questions.

(b) If he desires to permit the sale herein of wines and malt beverages only to be drunk on and off the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on question one,

"YES" on question two and "NO" on question three.

(c) If he desires to permit the sale herein of all alcoholic beverages but only in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on questions one and two and "YES" on question three.

(d) If he desires to permit the sale herein of wines and malt beverages to be drunk on and off the premises where sold and in addition other alcoholic beverages but only in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on question one and "YES" on questions two and three.

(e) If he desires to prohibit the sale herein of any and all alcoholic beverages whether to be drunk on or off the premises where sold, he will vote "NO" on all three questions.

1. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
NO	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
NO	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>
NO	<input type="checkbox"/>

"Shall the Senator from this district be instructed to vote for the establishment of a lottery to be conducted by the Commonwealth, the net proceeds of which shall provide additional revenue for the Old Age Assistance Fund?"



"Shall the Senator from this district be instructed to vote for legislation providing for ten dollar weekly payments to each recipient of Old Age Assistance?"

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 6 P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybody's Market, Ernest DeSilva, Bradford Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler's Pharmacy, Joseph A. Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch & Son, Knights of Columbus, Board of Trade, Post Office, Brownell's Pharmacy, John A. Francis, Allen & Allen in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

JESSE D. ROGERS

N. EDWIN LEWIS

FRANK H. BARNETT

Selectmen of Provincetown

A true copy. Attest:

BERNARD DeRIGGS, Constable.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

Barnstable ss.

October 26, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Anybody's Market, Ernest

DeSilva, Bradford Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Joseph A. Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch & Son, Knights of Columbus, Board of Trade, Post Office, Brownell's Pharmacy, John A. Francis, Allen & Allen, and Cutlers Pharmacy seven days before the date hereof as within directed.

BERNARD DeRIGGS,

Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections met in the Caucus Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the fifth day of November in the year 1940; and were called to order at 12 noon by Jesse D. Rogers, presiding officer.

Frank A. Days, Ballot Clerk; George Rogers, Louis Snow, Charles DeRiggs, Arthur C. Patrick, William F. Silva, Arthur B. Silva, John S. Silva, Fred Dearborn, Thomas Francis, Lloyd Higgins, Charles Williams, Joshua E. Winslow, Joseph Dennis, Joseph Marshall, John Francis and Arthur Jennings, Tellers, were sworn in by George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

The Tellers were supplied with lists of the registered voters of the Town, the register of the ballot box was set at 0 and the key delivered to Chief of Police Anthony P. Tarvers, and the polls were declared open.

The first block of fifty ballots were taken from the ballot box at 12:15 P. M., 100 at 12:25, 150 at 12:33, 200 at 12:45, 250 at 12:55, 300 at 1 P. M., 350 at 1:08, 400 at 1:15, 450 at 1:23, 500 at 1:30, 550 at 1:38, 600 at 1:45, 650 at 1:54, 700 at 2:02, 750 at 2:15, 800 at 2:24, 850 at 2:32, 900 at 2:42, 950 at 2:55, 1000 at 3:04, 1050 at 3:14, 1100 at 3:25, 1150 at 3:37, 1200 at 3:48, 1250 at 3:59, 1300 at 4:10, 1350 at 4:22, 1400 at 4:42, 1450



at 5:02, 1500 at 5:32, and 1528 at 6 P. M. Number of names checked on the voting list was 1599; seventy-one being absent voters. The votes were counted and recorded and the result announced as follows:

#### Electors of President and Vice President

Aiken and Orange, Socialist Labor Party	2
Babson and Moorman, Prohibition	1
Browder and Ford, Communist Party	7
Roosevelt and Wallace, Democratic	760
Thomas and Krueger, Socialist Party	4
Willkie and McNary, Republican	787

#### Governor

Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge, Socialist Labor Party	4
Jeffrey W. Campbell of Boston, Socialist Party	4
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge, Democratic	774
Otis Archer Hood of Boston, Communist Party	5
E. Tallmadge Root of Somerville, Prohibition	3
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton, Republican	746

#### Lieutenant Governor

Horace T. Cahill of Braintree, Republican	746
Hugo DeGregory of Springfield, Communist Party	9
Owen A. Gallagher of Boston, Democratic	664
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Socialist Party	11
George L. McGlynn of Springfield, Socialist Labor Party	6
Guy S. Williams of Worcester, Prohibition	10

#### Secretary

Frederick W. Cook of Somerville, Republican	835
Katherine Foley of Lawrence, Democratic	573
Thomas F. P. O'Dea of Boston, Communist Party	9
Modestino Torra of Boston, Socialist Labor Party	3
Peter Warttainen, Jr., of Fitchburg, Socialist Party	5

#### Treasurer

John J. Donahue of Somerville, Democratic	610
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Henry Grossman of Worcester, Communist Party	10
Thomas Hamilton of Lynn, Prohibition	12
William E. Hurley, of Boston, Republican	770
Malcolm T. Rowe of Lynn, Socialist Labor Party	9
Andrew Swenson of Greenfield, Socialist Party	10

#### Auditor

Arthur J. Buckley of Boston, Communist Party	18
Thomas J. Buckley of Boston, Democratic	689
Charles H. Daniels of North Adams, Socialist Party	18
Bernard G. Kelly of Springfield, Socialist Labor Party	5
Harry W. Kimball of Needham, Prohibition	8
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge, Republican	666

#### Attorney General

James Henry Brennan of Boston, Democratic	632
Robert T. Bushnell of Newton, Republican	733
Joseph C. Figueiredo of New Bedford, Communist Party	8
Austin H. Fittz of Natick, Prohibition	6
Charles R. Hill of Brookline, Socialist Party	9
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody, Socialist Labor Party	1

#### Senator in Congress

Philip Frankfeld of Boston, Communist Party	8
Horace I. Hillis of Saugus, Socialist Labor Party	4
George Lyman Paine of Cambridge, Socialist Party	7
Henry Parkman, Jr., of Boston, Republican	606
George L. Thompson of Randolph, Prohibition	2
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg, Democratic	854

#### Congressman

George F. Backus of New Bedford, Democratic	618
Charles L. Gifford of Barnstable, Republican	814

#### Councillor, First District

Joseph P. Clark, Jr., of Fall River, Democratic	694
Edgar S. Lindsay of Brockton, Republican	667



Senator, Cape and Plymouth District  
Donald W. Nicholson of Wareham, Republican 962

Representative in General Court  
Second Barnstable District  
Edwin F. Eldredge of Chatham, Republican 713  
Frank Flores of Provincetown, Democratic 783

Clerk of Courts, Barnstable County  
Donald G. Trayser of Barnstable, Republican 888

Register of Deeds, Barnstable County  
Benjamin F. Sears of Dennis, Republican 896

County Commissioners, Barnstable County  
Anthony R. Francis of Truro, Democratic 560  
Edwin H. Kidder of Chatham, Independent 548  
William J. Lockhart of Falmouth, Republican 376  
Charles W. Megathlin of Barnstable, Republican 380

To obtain a full expression of opinion, voters should vote on all three of the following questions:—

1. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)? Yes 780  
No 349

2. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wine and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)? Yes 752  
No 308

3. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises. Yes 766  
No 291

#### Question of Public Policy

“Shall the Senator from this district be instructed to vote for legislation providing for ten dollar weekly pay-

ments to each recipient of Old Age Assistance?”

Yes 740  
No 197

#### Question of Public Policy

“Shall the Senator from this district be instructed to vote for the establishment of a lottery to be conducted by the Commonwealth, the net proceeds of which shall provide additional revenue for the Old Age Assistance Fund?”

Yes 699  
No 226

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
County of Barnstable

At a meeting of the qualified voters of Representative District No. 2 held on the fifth day of November 1940, for choice of Representative in the General Court, Edwin F. Eldredge of Chatham was elected to that office.

The vote of the several towns was as follows

	Provincetown	Truro	Wellfleet	Eastham
Edwin F. Eldredge	713	239	418	303
Frank Flores	783	80	97	23
	Orleans	Brewster	Harwich	Chatham
Edwin F. Eldredge	758	393	1097	1045
Frank Flores	63	61	140	72
	Dennis	Yarmouth	Totals	
Edwin F. Eldredge	984	1026	6976	
Frank Flores	104	132	1555	

We, the undersigned Town Clerks of the several towns in the Second Barnstable Representative District, certify that the above vote is correct, and that Edwin F. Eldredge of Chatham, having the largest number of votes in said District is declared elected.

George S. Chapman, Town Clerk of Provincetown  
George S. Williams, Town Clerk of Truro  
B. Milton Kemp, Town Clerk of Wellfleet  
Ralph W. Snow, Town Clerk of Orleans  
Leslie E. Chase, Town Clerk of Eastham  
A. Percie Newcomb, Town Clerk of Brewster  
Henry K. Bearse, Town Clerk of Harwich  
Levi T. Denson, Town Clerk of Chatham  
Benjamin F. Sears, Town Clerk of Dennis  
Allen H. Knowles, Town Clerk of Yarmouth

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Barnstable, ss.

Provincetown, Mass., November 30, 1940

A recount of the votes cast at the State Election held on the 5th day of November 1940, for the office of Governor of this Commonwealth was held in Caucus Hall, Town Hall on the 30th day of November 1940, at 7 P. M.

Each block of fifty ballots was unsealed and counted by the Board of Registrars in the presence of representatives, and the following result was announced:

Governor	
Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge, Socialist Labor Party	4
Jeffrey W. Campbell of Boston, Socialist Party	5
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge, Democratic	777
Otis Archer Hood of Boston, Communist Party	6
E. Tallmadge Root of Somerville, Prohibition	3
Leverette Saltonstall of Newton, Republican	740

GEORGE ROGERS  
LOUIS M. SNOW  
FRANK A. DAYS, JR.  
GEORGE S. CHAPMAN  
Board of Registrars.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.



## SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

### Monday, December 2nd, 1940

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown  
in the County of Barnstable GREETING.

In the name of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to met at the Town Hall in said Town on Monday the second day of December next, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said Meeting.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, to be used by the different departments for the balance of 1940,

A. Old Age Assistance	\$2,900.00
B. Public Welfare	1,500.00
C. Police Department	300.00
D. Roads and Walks	700.00
E. Town Hall	600.00
F. Infirmary	400.00
G. Soldiers' Relief	400.00
H. W. P. A.	200.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) from the Reinforcement of the wall on Bradford Street to the Old Age Assistance Account.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting up attested copies thereof at the stores of Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybodys Market, Joseph Enos Market, B. H. Dyer & Co., Allen & Allen, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler Pharmacy, Joseph Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch & Co., John A. Francis, Board of Trade, Knights of Columbus, and Post Office in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 20th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

JESSE D. ROGERS

N. EDWIN LEWIS

FRANK H. BARNETT

Selectmen of Provincetown.

A true copy. Attest:

CHARLES N. ROGERS, Constable.

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

November 23, 1940

Pursuant to the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown by posting up attested copies of the same at stores of: Marion Perry, Manuel Peters, Ernest DeSilva, Anybody's Market, Joseph Enos Market, B. H. Dyer Co., Allen & Allen, Adams Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler Pharmacy, Joseph Marshall, J. D. Hilliard Co., Elizabeth Livingston, C. L. Burch Co., John A. Francis, Board of Trade, Knights of



Columbus and Post Office seven days before the date hereof as within directed.

CHARLES N. ROGERS,  
Constable of Provincetown.

Attest: George S. Chapman, Town Clerk.

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Town Hall, on Monday, the second day of December 1940 and were called to order at 7:30 P. M. by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting. Ballot was taken and Robert A. Welsh was elected and sworn in as Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Free Cash, to be used in the different departments for the balance of 1940.

A. Old Age Assistance	\$2,900.00
B. Public Welfare	1,500.00
C. Police Department	300.00
D. Roads and Walks	700.00
E. Town Hall	600.00
F. Infirmary	400.00
G. Soldiers' Relief	400.00
H. W. P. A.	200.00

Voted that each item be acted upon separately.

A. Old Age Assistance. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$2,900.00 for Old Age Assistance. Motion carried.

B. Public Welfare. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$1,500.00 for Public Welfare. Motion carried.

C. Police Department. Moved that the Town vote

to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$300.00 for Police Department. Motion carried.

D. Roads and Walks. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$700.00 for Roads and Walks. Motion carried.

E. Town Hall. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$600.00 for Town Hall. Motion carried.

F. Infirmary. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$400.00 for Infirmary. Motion carried.

G. Soldiers' Relief. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$400.00 for Soldier's Relief. Motion carried.

H. W. P. A. Moved that the Town vote to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$200.00 for W. P. A. Motion carried.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) from the Reinforcement of the wall on Bradford Street to the Old Age Assistance Account. Motion carried.

Moved that the Town vote to transfer Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) from the Reinforcement of the wall on Bradford Street to the Old Age Assistance Account. Motion carried.

On motion meeting was dissolved at 7:50 P. M.

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Town Clerk.



## Town Clerk's Report

### MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1940

#### January

3. Joseph DeCosta and Caroline R. MacFarlane, both of Provincetown.
15. Clarence Manuel Prada of Wollaston, Mass., and Mary Ann Silva. Married in Provincetown.
15. Leo Francis Gracie and Irene Antoinette Patrick, both of Provincetown.

#### February

3. Vollian Burr Rann of Provincetown and Ruth Frances Schipper of Irvington, N. J. Married in Provincetown.
5. Frank Henry Edwards and Louise Gomes Pina, both of Provincetown.

#### March

19. George Allen Santos and Margaret Elizabeth Rogers, both of Provincetown.
25. Veranus Harding Crocker of Provincetown and Dorothy Alice Southey of Edgewood, R. I. Married in Provincetown.
25. John DeCosta and Priscilla Alemana Alexander, both of Provincetown.
31. William Henry Ingram of Weston, Mass., and Maribeth Christine Paige of Provincetown. Married in Weston, Mass.

#### April

8. Matthew Francis and Thelma Grace Souza, both of Provincetown.

#### May

2. Manuel Canada Francis and Matilda Anna Street, both of Provincetown.
18. John Hjalmar Aho of Fitchburg, Mass., and Irma Lester Batt of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
28. Albert Joseph Avellar, Jr., and Jane Patterson Ufford, both of Provincetown. Married in Middleboro, Mass.
28. Manuel George Phillips and Zana Marguerite Crawley, both of Provincetown.

#### June

1. George Frail Taylor of Greenfield, Mass., and Dorothy Gordon Rock of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
5. John Hughes Hall of Wellfleet, Mass., and Dorothy Merwin of Croton, N. Y. Married in Provincetown.
13. Robert Mark Slade of Provincetown and Lorine Emily Regan of Pawtucket, R. I. Married in Providence, R. I.
15. Robert Leo Wallace and Dorothy Mae Souza, both of Somerville, Mass. Married in Provincetown.
24. Edward Massey and Mary Fair Williams, both of New York, N. Y. Married in Provincetown.
25. John Caton Nunes and Mildred Frances Fratus, both of Provincetown.
27. John Joseph Leonard and Pauline Elizabeth Captive, both of Provincetown.

#### July

6. Herman Hartman of Berkshire Heights, Pa., and Grace Kauffman Rentschler of Reading, Pa. Married in Provincetown.
8. John Emanuel Enos and Mary Christine Santos, both of Provincetown.
13. Virgil James Baillie and Florence Madeline Benson, both of Provincetown. Married in West Harwich.
30. Antone Charles Costa, Jr., and Lillian Estelle Weed, both of Provincetown. Married in Harwich.

#### August

3. Robert Haberman, Jr., of New Paltz, N. Y., and Grete Schuyler of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
16. Harold Paul Keppel of New York, N. Y., and Marion Campbell Gibbs of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
17. Charles Edward Post and Florence May Allen, both of Waltham, Mass. Married in Provincetown.
17. Raymond Anthony Days of Provincetown and Lenora Elizabeth Rose of Truro. Married in Truro.
30. Edwin Franklin Taylor of Truro and Alma Louise Talcott of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
31. Wallace Grant Higgins and Mary Musgrave, both of Philadelphia, Pa. Married in Provincetown.
31. Frederick Peter Miller of Provincetown and Florence Evelyn Henry of Fall River, Mass. Married in Fall River.

#### September

3. Howard Manson Leach of Provincetown and Phyllis Edberta Francis of Truro. Married in Provincetown.
7. John Williams Sanford, Jr., of Charlottesville, Va., and Catherine Wright Archer of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
7. John Azevedo Gonsalves and Emelia Maude White, both of Provincetown.
9. Joseph Jason Roderick, Jr., of Provincetown and Dorothy Natalie Bradshaw of Paterson, N. J. Married in Provincetown.
9. David Colin Faegre of Minneapolis, Minn., and Margaret Gertrude Barden of New York, N. Y. Married in Provincetown.
14. George Willard Rae of Boston, Mass., and Priscilla Anne French of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
14. Reuben Cooper and Eunice Tobin, both of New York, N. Y. Married in Provincetown.
23. Joseph Manuel Andrews and Mary Isabell Sylvester, both of Provincetown.
23. Robert Wilfred Pigeon of Taunton, Mass., and Evelyn M. Sylvester of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
25. Clarence Andrews and Virginia Souza, both of Provincetown.
30. Anthony Perry and Mary Celia Fullerton, both of Provincetown.

#### October

2. Charles Colburn Carlos and Virginia Botello, both of Provincetown.
5. Albert Philip Rego and Frances Perie Avellar, both of Provincetown.
5. Alonzo W. Hurlbert of Billerica and Helene Dann Coshland of Boston. Married in Provincetown.
7. Francis Joseph Captiva of Provincetown and Camille Lohman of New York. Married in Provincetown.
12. Eolo Alfred Scotti of Medford, Mass., and Margaret Elizabeth Souza of Provincetown. Married in Provincetown.
14. Ernest Prada of Provincetown and Madeline Perry of North Truro. Married in North Truro.
26. Francis Joseph Santos and Blanche Irene Maille, both of Provincetown. Married in New Bedford.



## November

11. Arnold Fisher Dwyer of Provincetown and Ruth Marie Jason of North Truro. Married in Provincetown.
  16. George Joseph Silva and Irene Mary Lewis, both of Provincetown.
  27. William Stanley Tasha and Irene Judith Macara, both of Provincetown.
  28. Thomas Arthur Turner and Isaura Bibiana Sylvester, both of Provincetown.
- December**
2. Sherman Francis Sylvia of Provincetown and Ruth Ellen Lombard of Wellfleet. Married in Provincetown.
  7. Frank Silva Paige and Lois Souza Dears, both of Provincetown. Married in Truro.
  17. Anthony Arruda and Madelyn Sants Trimbey, both of Provincetown.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN 1940

Date	Name	January	Parents
5.	Penny Pires	Manuel L. and Winnifred F., nee O'Donnell	
13.	Ellen Abner Silva	Philip F. and Reine, nee Avellar	
22.	Lawrence Daigneault, Jr.	Lawrence and Edna, nee Starr	

## February

14.	cFrederick Johann Fuglister	Frederick C. and Cecelia L., nee Bowerman	
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## March

1.	Martha Lee Silva	Arthur F. and Edna, nee Winstanley	
1.	Verna May Cabral	Warren C. and Hilda M., nee Souza	
2.	eSuzanne Emilie Tremblay	Henri M. and Rosalind W., nee Cummings	
4.	Phillip Thomas Joseph	Arthur and Mary I., nee Morea	
13.	Marie Jane Santos	John E. and Bernice M., nee Simmons	
14.	William Joseph Patrick, Jr.	William J. and Natalie G., nee Patrick	
14.	Elaine Joan Flores	John and Doris, nee Costa	

## April

10.	David Lothrop Mayo	Herbert F. and Margaret, nee Williams	
13.	bDonald West Pigeon	Abram S. and Mary W., nee Bowley	
24.	Mary Louise McKinney	William C. and Mary E., nee Enos	

## May

1.	Janet Elizabeth Ramey	Alton E. and Emily, nee Dearborn	
1.	Patricia May Joseph	Domingo and Louise, nee Enos	
2.	Richard Hautanen	Henry H. and Eleanor, nee Batt	
4.	Ralph Maderias, Jr.	Ralph and Adeline, nee Santos	
18.	Paula Evangeline Sethares	Socrates and Virginia, nee Henrique	
21.	Baby Lema	Joseph and Jessie, nee Grace	
21.	David John Mendes	John and Beatrice, nee Vice	
22.	Ralph Emmanuel Souza	Manuel and Cecelia M., nee Francis	
26.	Adeline Mary Meads	Albert and Hortense, nee Souza	
26.	Wilfred Paul Cote	Wilfred P. and Mary C., nee Grayson	

## June

2.	Paul Ferreira	Manuel and Virginia, nee Bent	
6.	Maurice Francis Worth, Jr.	Maurice F. and Virginia J., nee Enos	
8.	Stuart Koop Bryant	Duncan and Marie L., nee Koop	
12.	Gail Ann Packet	Phillip and Mary, nee Sants	
13.	Richard John Pierce	William and Dorothy, nee Avila	
25.	Dolores Barbara Souza	Frank and Mary, nee Souza	
30.	Francis Edmund Santos	Edmund F. and Bertha H., nee Snow	



Date	Name	July	Parents
1.	Stephen C. Roderick, 3rd		Stephen C. and Evangeline, nee Rose
3.	Phyllis May Patrick		Cyril T. and Philomena, nee Jason
18.	aRuth Ann Carreiro		Ernest L. and Mary I., nee Aresta
27.	Jane Burnett Francis		Matthew P. and Thelma G., nee Souza
29.	Arline Margaret Patrick		Francis J. and Angeline R., nee Rhody
31.	Edward Lewis Cook		Edward and Alice, nee Lewis

## August

5.	aPrudence Eugenia Joseph		Stuart M. and Florence L., nee Cook
12.	William Burleigh Robar		Burleigh W. and Laura P., nee McClure
12.	Clara Rose Rocheteau		William and Arcenta, nee Fernandes
15.	Leonard Stanley Batt		Stanley and Leona, nee Leonard
19.	bJoyce Mae Leonard		Willis F. and Josephine A., nee Merrill
26.	Paula Mary Henrique		Manuel and Pauline, nee Silva

## September

1.	aJoseph Gene Taves		Joseph and Virginia, nee Roderick
2.	Frederick Emanuel DeAvellar		Frederick A. and Bridget L., nee Gaspa
5.	Lona Rae Steele		Alden D. and Clotilda, nee Medeiros
16.	Ronald Cussan Lopes		Antoine and Jeannette, nee Cussan
21.	Manuel Joseph Souza		Manuel and Lucille, nee Souza
22.	Patricia Ann DeCosta		John and Priscilla, nee Alexander
22.	bJohn Caton Nunes, Jr.		John C. and Mildred F., nee Fratus

## October

5.	bAnna May Thurman Tuttle		John E. T. and Marion A., nee Lewis
7.	bTheda Lois Browne		David A. and Mary M., nee Rose

## November

1.	Lillian Mary Corea		John and Flora L., nee Littlefield
7.	Niles Anton Pierce		Stanley and Catherine, nee MacFarlane
8.	Thomas Lee Days		Raymond A. and Lenora E., nee Rose
8.	dBarry Wayne Edwards		Irving F. and Helen M., nee Lopez
12.	aSouza		Anthony and Flora, nee Thomas
13.	Marjorie Agnes Silva		Louis and Luene, nee Ellis
14.	Claire Jeanne Steele		Milton R. and Matilda A., nee Pacellini
21.	fBernice May Davis		William and Mary, nee Motta
22.	Donald Edward Murphy		David J. and Mary E., nee Carbury
29.	gHarry Clinton Owen		Harry C. and Martha, nee Humes

## December

3.	Carol Ann Malaquias		Anthony J. and Nina L., nee Newton
7.	Mary Ellen Jason		Anthony and Mary E., nee Costa
8.	Earl Wendell Lincoln		Dorrance and Marion, nee Baker
30.	Versie Anna Langley		Donald Langley and Mary, nee Pires

a	Born in Boston	e	Born in New Bedford
b	Born in Barnstable	f	Born in Bristol, R. I.
c	Born in Brockton	g	Born in Providence, R. I.
d	Born in Mashpee		

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1940

		January			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
2.	Emanuel M. Simmons	71	1	20	Capillary Bronchitis
20.	aJulia S. Wright	75	0	0	Carcinoma uterine fundus
23.	James Boatman Oliver	43	11	23	Chronic Nephritis
		February			Cause of Death
17.	fWilliam Brown	15	6	0	Acute appendicitis
19.	Antone Silva	46	5	4	Cardiac disease
20.	John Taves	44	5	0	Drowning accident
24.	Mary Santos Cruz	52	9	0	Chronic myocarditis
		March			Cause of Death
2.	bInfant Cabral	0	0	1	Premature birth
5.	Amelia L. Merrill	80	11	20	Cerebral hemorrhage
12.	Mary Parrone Joseph	53	9	30	Chronic myocarditis
16.	bAnna Fratus Flores	61	2	16	Cardiac failure
21.	Manuel Martin	67	0	0	Angina pectoris
		April			Cause of Death
5.	Effie L. Young	91	3	0	Chronic myocarditis
12.	Walter H. Adams	75	0	0	Coronary thrombosis
16.	Joseph Corea Brazill	86	7	6	Cerebral hemorrhage
21.	James E. Atkins	82	5	16	Cerebral apoplexy
21.	Charles Hurlburt	76	0	0	Cardiac disease
22.	Evelyn T. Hutchins	70	0	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
25.	Frances Oliver Pereira	63	3	14	Carcinoma of stomach
26.	hFrank K. Atkins	63	2	18	Coronary sclerosis
28.	Rose Vice Gibbons	70	3	4	Hypertension
		May			Cause of Death
8.	Martha Jane Cashman	81	3	0	Coronary Arterio sclerosis
13.	Mary Ellen Pierce	73	0	5	Arterio sclerosis
21.	Baby Lema	0	0	0	Hemorrhage
26.	aAnna G. Hopkins	77	2	17	Cerebral hemorrhage
		June			Cause of Death
1.	gHelen Ryder Nickerson	70	0	0	Carcinoma of uterus
8.	Howard R. Hopkins	76	0	0	Inhalation of smoke
13.	cJohn Jason Silva	69	2	17	Uremia
		July			Cause of Death
4.	Manuel Bent	62	2	1	Coronary occlusion
4.	John Flores	27	10	0	Suicide by hanging
7.	dCharles John Spear	85	1	1	Cardio venal disease
12.	Phoebe Almada Rose	90	6	2	Fracture left femur
15.	Henry LeBlanc	57	7	21	Accidental drowning
21.	Charles Nickerson	71	0	0	Carcinoma of liver
23.	Thankie C. Matheson	81	0	16	Valvular heart disease
25.	William J. Leonard	70	7	15	Cerebral embolism
29.	Alfred Enos	70	0	16	Carcinoma of liver



		August			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
1.	Mary Perry Souza	59	11	21	Valvular heart disease
8.	Emily Prada Veigas	39	0	20	Chronic nephritis
13.	Manuel C. Francis	67	6	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
18.	bLeonard Stanley Batt	0	0	0	Prematurity
20.	aMary Lucas	85	0	12	Broncho pneumonia
30.	dHarriet F. Spear	88	11	0	Carcinoma of Stomach
		September			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
2.	Nancy W. P. Smith	81	0	0	Carcinoma of the breast
10.	Frederick Judd Waugh	78	11	27	Carcinoma of prostate
15.	Mary Silva	79	0	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
23.	bFrank Irving Sears	74	8	0	Fracture of skull
		October			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
28.	Mary Foster Veara	69	10	3	Cerebral hemorrhage
		November			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
17.	eClara A. Baker	80	0	6	Carcinoma of intestine
23.	Cosmo Perladondo	26	0	0	Accidental drowning
23.	Salvatore Ciulla	46	0	0	Accidental drowning
23.	Paul Piraino	55	0	0	Accidental drowning
24.	Annie R. Smith	75	0	0	Arthritis
29.	bJosephine Wheeler	68	1	27	Cerebral hemorrhage
		December			Cause of Death
Date	Name	Y.	M.	D.	
8.	Manuel D. James	78	1	24	Carcinoma of prostate
a	Died in Boston	e			Died in Medford
b	Died in Barnstable	f			Died in Providence, R. I.
c	Died in Fall River	g			Died in Washington, D. C.
d	Died in Brewster	h			Died in Quincy

## Treasurer's Report

Jan. 1, 1940, Cash		Payments	\$438,415.38
on hand	\$ 13,002.27	Dec. 31, 1940,	
Receipts	444,784.02	Cash on hand	19,370.91
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	\$457,786.29		\$457,786.29

### Taxes 1938

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd Coll.	\$14,891.72
the Town	\$18,247.17	Abatements	2,778.52
Cash Abatement	11.22	Tax Titles	542.30
	<hr/>	Bal. uncollected	45.85
	\$18,258.39		<hr/>
			\$18,258.39

### Taxes 1939

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd Coll.	\$36,053.74
the Town	\$60,491.30	Abatements	3,082.36
		Tax Titles	588.70
		Bal. uncollected	20,766.50
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			\$60,491.30

### Taxes 1940

Commitment	\$175,025.30	Rec'd Coll.	\$112,130.59
Dec. Assessment	328.00	Abatements	5,629.67
		Tax Titles	680.60
		Bal. uncollected	56,912.44
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	\$175,353.30		\$175,353.30

### Vessel Excise Taxes 1938

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd from Coll.	\$25.00
the Town	\$61.67	Abatements	36.67
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			\$61.67



**Vessel Excise Taxes 1939**

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd from Coll.	\$104.99
the Town	\$128.99	Abatements	10.00
		Bal. uncollected	14.00
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			\$128.99

**Vessel Excise Taxes 1940**

Commitment	\$224.66	Rec'd from Coll.	\$120.66
		Abatements	36.67
		Bal. uncollected	67.33
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			\$224.66

**Vessel Excise Tax Revenue**

Rec'd from Coll.	\$250.65	Jan. 1, 1940	
Abatements	83.34	Balance Due	\$190.66
Outstanding	81.33	1940 Revenue	224.66
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	\$415.32		\$415.32

**Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1938**

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd from Coll.	\$ .20
the Town	\$65.55	Abatements	65.35
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			\$65.55

**Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1939**

Jan. 1, 1940, Due		Rec'd from Coll.	\$450.30
the Town	\$512.95	Abatements	60.10
Cash Abatements	25.30	Bal. uncollected	27.85
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	\$538.25		\$538.25

**Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1940**

Commitments	\$6,476.88	Rec'd from Coll.	\$5,717.75
Cash Abatements	148.43	Abatements	443.53
		Bal. uncollected	464.03
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	\$6,625.31		\$6,625.31

**Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue**

Rec'd from Coll.	\$6,168.25	Jan. 1, 1940	
Abatements	568.98	Balance Due	\$ 578.50
Balance Due	491.88	Commitments	6,476.88
		Cash abatements	173.73
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	\$7,229.11		\$7,229.11

**Overlay 1930**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$21.48	Revenue 1940	\$21.48
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**Overlay 1932**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$203.00	Revenue 1940	\$203.00
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**Overlay 1933**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$215.60	Revenue 1940	215.60
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**Overlay 1934**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$240.72	Revenue 1940	\$240.72
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**Overlay 1935**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$256.60	Revenue 1940	\$256.60
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**Overlay 1936**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$306.30	Revenue 1940	\$306.30
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**Overlay 1937**

Jan. 1, 1940, Deficiency	\$1,129.28	Revenue 1940	\$1,129.28
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**Overlay 1938**

To Taxes 1938	\$2,778.52	Jan. 1, 1940	
		Balance	\$1,398.64
		Deficiency	1,379.88
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			\$2,778.52



**Overlay 1939**

To Taxes 1939	\$3,082.36	Jan. 1, 1940	
Dec. 31, 1940,		Balance	\$3,502.08
Balance	419.72		
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	\$3,502.08		

**Overlay 1940**

To Taxes 1940	\$5,629.67	Revenue 1940	\$7,667.61
Dec. 31, 1940,			
Balance	2,037.94		
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	\$7,667.61		

**Overlay Reserve Fund Surplus**

Transfer to:		Jan. 1, 1940	
Old Age Assist.	\$3,532.00	Balance	\$5,311.43
Aid to Dependent			
Children	1,768.00		
Dec. 31, 1940,			
Balance	11.43		
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	\$5,311.43		

**Tax Titles**

Jan. 1, 1940,		Redeemed	\$ 255.46
Balance	\$2,040.19	Foreclosed	1,523.62
Added in 1940	1,811.60	Balance	2,072.71
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	\$3,851.79		\$3,851.79

**Tax Title Revenue**

Credits	\$1,779.08	Jan. 1, 1940	
Balance	2,072.71	Balance	\$2,040.19
		To Taxes	1,811.60
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	\$3,851.79		\$3,851.79

**Water Revenue**

Schedule Rates	\$ 2,565.50	Jan. 1, 1940	
Metered Rates	14,792.00	Balance Due	\$ 5,677.63
Cemeteries	264.00	Commitments	17,848.20
Truro Hydrants	80.00		
Excess	57.90		
New Services	96.00		
Town Pier	12.80		
Abatements	247.00		
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	\$18,115.20		
Balance Due	5,410.63		
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	\$23,525.83		\$23,525.83

**Cemetery Sale of Lots Account**

	Jan. 1, 1940	
	On hand	\$2,906.85
	Sale of Lots in	
	1940	65.00
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	\$2,971.85	

**State Tax**

Nov. 20, 1940	\$11,200.00	Revenue 1940	\$11,200.00
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**Parks and Reservations**

Nov. 20, 1940	\$155.40	Revenue	\$167.62
Balance	12.22		
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	\$167.62		

**State Audit**

Nov. 20, 1940	\$899.53	Revenue 1940	\$899.53
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**Mosquito Control**

Nov. 20, 1940	\$1,395.14	Revenue 1940	\$1,395.14
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**Veteran's Exemption**

Nov. 20, 1940	\$30.99	Revenue 1940	\$27.66
		Deficiency	3.33
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			\$30.99

**County Tax**

Nov. 16, 1940	\$14,227.40	Revenue 1940	\$14,227.40
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**Bounty on Seals**

Jan. 1, 1940,		Rec'd from State	\$ 5.00
Deficiency	\$15.00	Revenue 1940	10.00
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			\$15.00

**Vocational  
Smith-Hughes Fund**

Payments	\$52.41	Receipts	\$52.41
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**Vocational  
George-Deen Fund**

Payments	\$10.00	Receipts	\$10.00
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**Accounts Receivable**

Public Welfare \$	776.33	Credits:	
Aid Dependent		Aid Depend.	
Children	7,999.15	Children	\$ 5,793.81
Old Age Assist.	37,655.94	Old Age Assist.	22,720.56
Town of Truro	3,116.00	Town of Truro	3,116.00
State Wards	53.92	State Wards	53.92
City Wards	581.04	City Wards	581.04
Supt. Small		Supt. Small	
Towns	1,353.33	Towns	1,353.33
		Balance Due	17,917.05
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	\$51,535.71		\$51,535.71

**Departmental Revenue**

Charges	\$51,535.71	Dec. 31, 1940	
Credits	33,618.66	Balance Due	\$17,917.05
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	\$17,917.05		

**Old Age Assistance Administration**

Clerical	\$525.03	Jan. 1, 1940	
Stationery and		On hand	\$253.14
Postage	366.01	U. S. Grants	710.93
	<hr/>	Refund	8.00
	\$891.04		
Balance	81.03		
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	\$972.07		\$972.07

**Aid to Dependent Children Adm.**

Payments	\$23.50	Jan. 1, 1940, Bal.	\$66.33
Balance	63.77	U. S. Grants	20.94
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	\$87.27		\$87.27

**Estimated Receipts**

1940, Estimated		Receipts in	
Revenue	\$67,666.89	1940	\$96,102.59
Refund, Wine and			
Malt License,			
Fee	100.00		
Transfer Corp.			
Tax 1939	5.31		
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	\$67,772.20		

**Refunds**

Criminal Prosecution	\$ 5.00
Legal Expense	13.25
Health Dept.	22.00



Roads and Walks	11.40
Highway, Chapter 90	13.34
Welfare Dept.	30.79
Old Age Assistance	85.97
Old Age Administration	8.00
W. P. A.	1.80
School Dept.	37.42
Public Library	2.00
Christmas Lighting	1.80

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\$ 232.77

**Estimated Receipts****Debit**

1939 Revenue \$96,102.59

**Credits**

State Treasurer:	
Income Tax	\$13,781.08
Corporation Tax	2,227.04
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	\$16,008.12

**Licenses:**

Liquor, Wine and Malt	\$ 6,150.00
Pedlars	30.00
Ice Cream	27.00
Transient	100.00
Milk	32.50
Weirs	425.00
Inn and Victuallers	265.00
Gasoline	190.00
Auctioneer	2.00
Oleo	1.00
Motor Bus	30.00
Agent Auto Class 1	30.00
Taxi	27.00
Junk	25.00
Beano	15.00

Fuel Oil	15.00
Arms and Ammunition	1.00
Second Hand Articles	10.00
Lodging House	88.00
Sanitary	40.00
Carnival and Circus	50.00
Shell Fish	3.00

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\$ 7,556.50

Second District Court Fines	55.00
County Dog Refund	337.55
Rentals Town Hall	192.25
Rent Court Room	450.00
Sealer, Weights Measures Fees	145.75
Town Clerk's Fees	222.40
Treasurer's Fees	2.00
Rental Buildings Town Pier	2,115.00
Wharfage	95.26
Hurlburt's Float	25.00
Loading Sand Barges at Pier	309.86
S. S. Yankee Clipper Wharfage	885.00
Cabral's Float	25.00
Sale Wharf Material	67.36
Bounty on Seals	15.00
1% Weir Stock	33.12
Water Revenue	17,868.20
State Reimbursement Old Age	21,741.90
Reimbursement Old Age—Cities and Towns	102.21
Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	6,168.25
Vessel Excise Revenue	250.65
State Reimbursement Mother's Aid	5,793.81
Highway Fund, Chapter 504	6,546.40

**Schools:**

State Wards	\$ 53.92
City Wards	581.04
Sale School Projects	44.23
Town of Truro	3,116.00
Individual Tuition	60.00



Supt. Small Towns	1,353.33	
Rental School Gym	148.00	
Vocational	280.71	
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Public Library Fees		\$ 125.09
Health:		
Div. of Sanatoriums	\$ 399.28	
Visiting Nurse Fees	298.50	
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Soldier's Benefits from State:		
State Aid	\$ 80.00	
Military Aid	97.50	
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Fire Department:		
Oil Permits		\$ 103.00
Interest:		
Taxes	\$ 2,317.34	
Tax Titles	33.06	
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		\$96,102.59

#### State and County Taxes

1940		State Tax	\$11,200.00
Revenue	\$27,908.46	County Tax	14,227.40
		Mosquito Control	1,395.14
		Parks & Reser-	
		vations	155.40
		Veterans' Exemp.	30.99
		Auditing	
		Accounts	899.53
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			\$27,908.46

#### Revenue 1940

Appro.		Tax Levy	\$175,025.30
Annual		Estimated	
Meeting	204,720.25	Receipts	96,102.59
Special		Appro. Balances:	
Meeting	5,300.00	Moderator	25.00
State		Selectmen's Exp.	4.33
Assess.	13,693.95	Town Clerk's Exp.	11.10
County Tax	14,227.40	Treasurer's Exp.	7.16
Overlay 1940	7,667.61	Assessor's Exp.	1.20
Overdrawn		Tax Coll. Exp.	.52
Accounts	10.00	Legal Exp.	5.91
Overlay		Town Hall	13.51
Overdrafts	2,372.98	Police Exp.	13.15
Balance to		Maintenance	
Excess	24,378.81	Police Car	.33
		Criminal	
		Prosecution	.28
		Fire Dept. Salaries	121.32
		Fire Dept. Exp.	33.27
		Moth Exterm.	856.30
		Ins. on Public	
		Bldgs.	3.63
		General Health	.14
		Members' Salaries	1.50
		Rubbish Disposal	.68
		Visiting Nurse	2.14
		Insp. Cattle,	
		Slaughtering	50.00
		Roads and Walks	2.37
		Resurface part,	
		Race Road	500.00
		Resurface part,	
		Montello Street	500.00
		Highway, Chap. 90	76.47
		Pub. Welfare Exp.	186.38
		Outside Poor	.89



Welfare Bills, 1939	1.25
Infirmery	34.12
State Aid	70.00
Military Aid	270.00
Soldiers' Relief	4.15
W. P. A.	2.22
Aid to Depend.	
Children	189.08
Old Age Assist.	63.37
Old Age Assist.	
Adm.	81.03
Maintenance	
of Schools	4.65
Public Library	2.32
Armistice Day	2.74
Memorial Day	.52
Reserve Fund	25.00
Bounty on Seals	30.00
Purchase New	
Trees	73.80
Fish and Game	
Appro.	1.33
Insp. of Wires	40.00
Airport	7.54
Veterans' Graves	15.00
Re-seeding	
Shell Fish	300.00
Water Dept. Exp.	162.15
New Water Supply	.18
Cemeteries	11.33

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\$274,937.25

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### APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

#### Finance Committee

Payments	\$50.00	Appro.	\$50.00
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#### Moderator

Feb. 12, Annual		Appro.	\$50.00
Meeting	\$15.00		
Sept. 20, Special			
Meeting	5.00		
Dec. 2, Special			
Meeting	5.00		
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	\$25.00		
Bal. to Revenue	25.00		
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	\$50.00		

#### Selectmen's Department

Salaries	\$1,080.00	Appro.	
Stationery &		Salaries	\$1,080.00
Postage	72.17	Expenses	350.00
Printing &			
Advert.	95.10		
Traveling Expense	125.00		
Telephone	38.05		
All Others	15.35		
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	\$1,425.67		
Bal. to Revenue	4.33		
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	\$1,430.00		\$1,430.00

#### Town Clerk's Department

Salary	\$ 750.00	Appro.	
Clerk Hire	364.00	Salary	\$750.00
Bond	5.00	Expenses	500.00
Stationery &			
Postage	9.45		
Printing	5.00		
Telephone	54.50		
Traveling Expense	26.95		



Stenographer	7.00
Repairs to	
Typewriter	14.50
Asso. Dues	2.00
Express	.50

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\$1,238.90

Bal. to Revenue 11.10

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\$1,250.00

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\$1,250.00

#### Town Treasurer's Department

Salary	\$ 750.00	Appro.	
Bond	131.70	Salary	\$750.00
Check Books	55.20	Expenses	300.00
Stationery &			
Postage	70.19		
Safe Deposit Box	5.50		
Certifying			
Notes	26.00		
Traveling			
Expense	2.25		
Asso. Dues	2.00		

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\$1,042.84

Bal. to Revenue 7.16

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\$1,050.00

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\$1,050.00

#### Assessor's Department

Salaries	\$1,440.00	Appro.	
Clerical	1.00	Salaries	\$1,440.00
Stationery &		Expense	400.00
Postage	116.49	Reserve Fund	100.00
Printing &			
Advertising	136.99		
Traveling			
Expense	165.00		

Telephone	41.57
Asso. Dues	3.00
All Others	34.75

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\$1,938.80

Bal. to Revenue 1.20

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\$1,940.00

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\$1,940.00

#### Tax Collector's Department

Salary	\$1,000.00	Appro.	
Bond	264.00	Salary	\$1,000.00
Clerical	40.00	Expense	600.00
Stationery &			
Postage	122.58		
Printing &			
Advertising	146.20		
Telephone	20.64		
Recording Deeds	6.06		

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\$1,599.48

Bal. to Revenue .52

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\$1,600.00

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\$1,600.00

#### Auditor's Department

Salary	\$300.00	Appro.	
Stationery	9.55	Salary	\$300.00
Advertising	5.50	Expense	25.00
Adding Machine,			
Payment	9.95		

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\$325.00

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\$325.00

#### Law—Legal Expense

Attorney's Fees	\$480.31	Appro.	\$500.00
Recording	3.03	Refunds	13.25



Claim for Injuries	24.00		
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	\$507.34		
Bal. to Revenue	5.91		
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	\$513.25		\$513.25

**Election and Registration Department**

Salaries	\$ 300.00	Appro.	
Election Officers	335.00	Salaries	\$300.00
Printing &		Expense	700.00
Advertising	331.40		
Meals	11.50		
Stationery	8.60		
Typing Lists	13.50		
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	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00

**Town Hall**

Salary, Janitor	\$ 960.00	Appro.	\$3,500.00
Assist. Janitor	40.00	Free Cash	600.00
Labor	120.20		
Telephone	163.29		
Fuel	1,081.78		
Lights	616.64		
Janitor Supplies	274.14		
Repairs	788.48		
All Others	41.96		
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	\$4,086.49		
Bal. to Revenue	13.51		
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	\$4,100.00		\$4,100.00

**Police Department**

Chief	\$1,800.00	Appro.	
Patrolmen	4,937.99	Salaries	\$6,800.00

Special Police	50.00	Expense	600.00
Dog Officer	150.00	Free Cash	220.17
Equipment	11.24		
Printing, Stationery			
& Postage	162.72		
Telephones	441.32		
Bicycle Tags	38.60		
All Others	15.15		

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	\$7,607.02		
Bal. to Revenue	13.15		
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	\$7,620.17		\$7,620.17

**Maintenance Police Car**

Gasoline, Oil &		Appro.	\$500.00
Repairs	\$559.50	Free Cash	59.83
Bal. to Revenue	.33		
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	\$559.83		\$559.83

**Criminal Prosecution**

Matrons	\$ 70.00	Appro.	\$200.00
Transportation	138.02	Free Cash	20.00
Meals	16.70	Refund	5.00
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	\$224.72		
Bal. to Revenue	.28		
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	\$225.00		\$225.00

**Traffic Signs**

Civil Engineer	\$178.83	Appro.	\$250.00
Signs	38.00		
Painting	12.00		
Lumber	19.68		
Freight	1.49		
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	\$250.00		



**Fire Department**

Engineers	\$ 650.00	Appro.	
Firemen	2,228.68	Salaries	\$3,000.00
Apparatus	350.47	Expense	2,000.00
Hose	650.00		
Equipment	73.63		
Labor	50.70		
Gasoline & Oil	124.55		
Repairs Trucks	42.93		
Fuel	166.10		
Lights	136.80		
Repairs to Bldgs.	303.55		
Desk	22.50		
Stationery &			
Postage	22.50		
Telephone	34.39		
Forest Fires	21.80		
All Others	11.81		

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 \$4,845.41

Bal. to Revenue 154.59

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 \$5,000.00

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 \$5,000.00
**Insurance on Firemen**

Premium	\$398.75	Appro.	\$398.75
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**New Fire Truck**

Payment	\$4,500.00	Appro.	\$4,500.00
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**Sealer of Weights and Measures Department**

Salary	\$150.00	Appro.	
Supplies	16.60	Salary	\$150.00
Auto Expense	60.00	Expense	100.00
Traveling Expense	21.40		
Asso. Dues	2.00		

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 \$250.00

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 \$250.00
**Moth Extermination**

Labor	\$ 134.00	Appro.	\$1,000.00
Insecticides	8.50		
Tools	1.20		

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 \$ 143.70

Balance 856.30

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 \$1,000.00
**Tree Warden**

Salary	\$5.00	Appro.	\$5.00
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**Insurance on Public Buildings**

Premiums	\$2,526.37	Appro.	\$2,530.00
Bal. to Revenue	3.63		

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 \$2,530.00
**Shell Fish Constable**

Salary	\$25.00	Appro.	\$25.00
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**General Health**

Stationery &		Appro.	\$3,000.00
Postage	\$ 249.52	Reserve Fund	200.00
Printing &		Refund	10.00
Advert.	76.00		
Telephone	232.00		
Board &			
Treatment	725.02		
Medical	125.50		
Drugs etc.	49.70		
Office Repairs	16.70		
General Labor	388.39		
Transportation	252.15		
Beach Patrol	663.00		
Sub. Nurse	5.00		



Attorney Fees	50.00
Lettering	2.40
Typewriter	48.50
Clerk Hire	126.00
Vital Statistics	21.75
Milk Inspector	85.00
All Others	93.23

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\$3,209.86

Bal. to Revenue .14

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\$3,210.00

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\$3,210.00

#### Salaries Three Members

Salaries	\$310.50	Appro.	\$300.00
Bal. to Revenue	1.50	Refund	12.00
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	\$312.00		\$312.00

#### Salary of Agent

Salary	\$1,140.00	Appro.	\$1,140.00
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#### Rubbish Disposal

Labor etc.	\$2,549.32	Appro.	\$2,500.00
Bal. to Revenue	.68	Reserve Fund	50.00
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	\$2,550.00		\$2,550.00

#### Visiting Nurse

Salaries	\$1,577.50	Appro.	\$1,700.00
Drugs etc.	120.36		
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	\$1,697.86		
Bal. to Revenue	2.14		
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	\$1,700.00		

#### Inspector of Cattle and Slaughtering

Salary	\$25.00	Appro.	\$75.00
Bal. to Revenue	50.00		

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\$75.00

#### Highway Department Supt. and Assist. Salaries

Supt.	\$1,320.00	Appro.	\$2,520.00
Assist.	1,200.00		

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\$2,520.00

#### Roads and Walks

Telephones	\$ 27.67	Appro.	\$8,500.00
Labor	4,584.01	Free Cash	700.00
Trucks Expense	752.69	Refunds	11.40
Stone	225.24		
Equipment & Repairs	740.14		
Freight	165.74		
Tarvia	1,177.00		
Snow Removal	1,186.30		
Special Police	42.25		
Beacons & Pumps	140.34		
Layout Point & Pleasant Streets	125.50		
Supplies etc.	42.15		

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\$9,209.03

Bal. to Revenue 2.37

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\$9,211.40

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\$9,211.40

#### Street Lighting

Prov. Light & Power Co.	\$5,600.00	Appro.	\$5,600.00
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**Reinforcement of Wall—Bradford Street**

Transfer to Old	Appro.	\$500.00
Age Assist.	\$500.00	

**Abutters Bradford Street Extension**

Payment	\$100.00	Jan. 1, 1940
		Balance
		\$100.00

**Highway Construction—Chapter 90**

Labor	\$ 4,140.84	Jan. 1, 1940
Crane	1,595.50	Balance
Compressors	825.40	Temp. Loan
Cement, Lumber,		Co. of Barn.
etc.	6,077.04	Comm. of Mass.
Trucks	882.50	Refund
Jack Hammer	278.67	
Transp. Hammers	167.50	
Pavement		
Breaker	31.00	
Equip. & Bitts	209.90	
Insurance	218.82	
Temp. Loan	5,000.00	
	\$19,427.17	
Balance	76.47	
	\$19,503.64	\$19,503.64

**Resurfacing Part Race Road**

Dec. 31, 1940,	Appro.	\$500.00
Balance	\$500.00	

**Resurfacing Part Montello Street**

Dec. 31, 1940,	Appro.	\$500.00
Balance	\$500.00	

**Purchase of Land  
(Between Law and Bradford Street)**

Payment	\$300.00	Appro.	\$300.00
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**Public Welfare Department**

Salaries	\$1,080.00	Appro.	
Stationery &		Salaries	\$1,080.00
Postage	48.33	Expense	450.00
Telephone	23.54	Refund	2.00
Traveling Expense	26.00		
Investigator	167.75		

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\$1,345.62

Bal. to Revenue 186.38

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\$1,532.00

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\$1,532.00

**Outside Poor**

Groceries &		Appro.	\$8,000.00
Provisions	\$5,665.59	Reserve Fund	450.00
Fuel	2,417.52	Free Cash	1,500.00
Medical	101.96	Refunds	8.79
Board & Care	10.00		
Cash Aid &			
Rents	1,538.83		
Clothing etc.	224.00		

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\$9,957.90

Bal. to Revenue .89

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\$9,958.79

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\$9,958.79

**Welfare Bills—1936**

Funeral Services	\$250.00	Appro.	\$250.00
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**Welfare Bills—1937**

Funeral Services	\$125.00	Appro.	\$268.00
Cities & Towns	143.00		

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\$268.00



**Welfare Bills—1939**

Groceries & Provisions	\$415.20	Appro.	\$986.00
Medical	57.50		
Clothing	65.02		
Fuel	323.11		
Cash Aid	122.00		
Telephone	1.92		
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	\$984.75		
Bal. to Revenue	1.25		
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	\$986.00		

**Infirmery**

Matron	\$ 600.00	Appro.	\$3,000.00
Groceries & Provisions	1,096.52	Free Cash	400.00
Dry Goods & Clothing	18.20		
Building	664.63		
Fuel & Light	619.44		
Medical	83.00		
Telephone	29.31		
Funeral Service	125.00		
All Others	129.78		
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	\$3,365.88		
Bal. to Revenue	34.12		
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	\$3,400.00		\$3,400.00

**Aid to Dependent Children**

Cash Grants	\$8,610.87	Jan. 1, 1940	
Balance	189.08	Balance	\$ 531.02
		Appro.	3,500.00
		Overlay Reserve	1,768.00

U. S. Grants	3,000.93
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	\$8,799.95
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**Military Aid**

Payments	\$230.00	Appro.	\$500.00
Bal. to Revenue	270.00		
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	\$500.00		

**Soldier's Relief**

Cash Aid	\$ 168.50	Appro.	\$3,000.00
Groceries & Provisions	1,814.72	Free Cash	400.00
Rents	314.00		
Medical	632.73		
Fuel	427.90		
Clothing	13.00		
Soldier's Burial	25.00		
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	\$3,395.85		
Bal. to Revenue	4.15		
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	\$3,400.00		\$3,400.00

**State Aid**

Payments	\$130.00	Appro.	\$200.00
Bal. to Revenue	70.00		
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	\$200.00		

**Old Age Assistance**

Cash Grants	\$43,378.83	Jan. 1, 1940	
Balance	63.37	Balance	\$ 94.76
		Appro.	15,000.00
		Overlay Reserve	3,532.00
		Free Cash	2,900.00



Transfer Brad.	
St. Wall	500.00
U. S. Grants	21,329.47
Refunds	85.97

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\$43,442.20

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\$43,442.20
**W. P. A.**

Administrator	\$ 39.90	Appro.	\$2,500.00
Co-ordinator	48.00	Free Cash	200.00
Commodities	958.31	Refund	1.80
Nursery Schools	454.37		
Cemetery Project	183.28		
Toy Project	133.55		
School Lunch			
Project	821.16		
Community Center	61.01		

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\$2,699.58

Bal. to Revenue 2.22

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\$2,701.80

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\$2,701.80
**Maintenance of Schools**

Superintendent	\$ 2,747.50	Appro.	\$57,490.00
Clerk	311.50	Household Arts	1,500.00
Truant Officer	205.00	Refunds	37.42
Printing, Stationery			
& Postage	209.21		
Telephone	110.25		
Travel Expense	83.60		
School Census	40.00		
School Nurse	1,200.00		
All Others	166.60		
Teachers' Salaries:—			
High	19,151.59		
Elementary	15,606.50		

Music Teachers	2,250.00
Text Books—	
High	792.58
Supplies	2,602.05
Cafeteria etc.	458.96
Text Books—	
Elem.	883.73
Supplies	964.01
Janitor—High	1,600.00
Janitors—Elem.	1,594.00
Fuel & Lights—	
High	1,886.66
Fuel & Lights—	
Elem.	1,450.15
Repairs—High	309.68
Janitor Supplies	625.26
Miscel.—Expense	195.62
Repairs—Elem.	490.24
Janitor's Supplies	198.51
Miscel.—Expense	146.10
Insurance	60.18
Mailing Machine—	
High	270.30
New Equip.—	
High	694.02
Furniture—	
High	440.07
Oil Burner Equip.—	
Elem.	1,278.90
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	\$59,022.77
Bal. to Revenue	4.65
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	\$59,027.42

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\$59,027.42



**Maintenance Eastern School Building**

Fuel & Lights	\$356.28	Appro.	\$500.00
Material	130.72		
Fire Exting.	13.00		
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	\$500.00		

**Public Library**

Librarian	\$960.00	Appro.	\$3,000.00
Assistants	631.30	Refund	2.00
Janitor	180.00		
Stationery & Postage	92.70		
Insurance	52.02		
Books	439.53		
Periodicals	152.84		
Binding	72.20		
Fuel & Lights	301.06		
Repairs	61.16		
Supplies	44.87		
Labor	12.00		
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	\$2,999.68		
Bal. to Revenue	2.32		
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	\$3,002.00		\$3,002.00

**Armistice Day**

Telephone & Postage	\$ 9.57	Appro.	\$100.00
Flags	14.04		
Band	35.00		
Amplifier	6.00		
Flowers	13.50		
Meals	6.15		
Taxi	8.00		

Janitor	5.00
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	\$ 97.26
Bal. to Revenue	2.74
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	\$100.00

**Memorial Day**

Band	\$ 40.00	Appro.	\$150.00
Telephone & Postage	4.52		
Printing	9.00		
Flags	12.96		
Amplifier	6.00		
Collation	14.00		
Flowers	35.00		
Taxi	8.00		
Orchestra	20.00		
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	\$149.48		
Bal. to Revenue	.52		
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	\$150.00		

**Reserve Fund**

Public Welfare	\$ 450.00	Appro.	\$1,000.00
General Health	200.00		
Rubbish Disposal	50.00		
Assessor's Exp.	100.00		
Int. Temp Loans	175.00		
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	\$975.00		
Bal. to Revenue	25.00		
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	\$1,000.00		

**Town Reports and Finance Reports**

Printing	\$780.00	Appro.	\$780.00
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**Expense on R. R. Property and Land Taking**

Civil Engineer	\$ 46.80	Jan. 1, 1940	
Balance	1,211.60	Balance	\$1,258.40
	<u>\$1,258.40</u>		

**Cape Cod Hospital**

Payment	\$500.00	Appro.	\$500.00
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**Bounty on Seals**

Payments	\$20.00	Appro.	\$50.00
Bal. to Revenue	30.00		
	<u>\$50.00</u>		

**Christmas Tree Lighting**

Trees	\$23.10	Appro.	\$100.00
Lights	76.90		
	<u>\$100.00</u>		

**Band Concerts**

Payment	\$300.00	Appro.	\$300.00
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**Reseeding Shell Fish**

Dec. 31, 1940,		Appro.	\$300.00
Bal.	\$300.00		

**Purchase New Trees**

Trees	\$ 15.00	Appro.	\$100.00
Labor	11.20		
	<u>\$26.20</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	73.80		
	<u>\$100.00</u>		

**Fish and Game Appropriation**

Rabbits	\$59.10	Appro.	\$100.00
Express	23.57		
Grain	16.00		

	<u>\$98.67</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	1.33		
	<u>\$100.00</u>		

**Ambulance Fund**

Payment	\$500.00	Appro.	\$500.00
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**Inspector of Wires**

Payment	\$10.00	Appro.	\$50.00
Bal. to Revenue	40.00		
	<u>50.00</u>		

**Airport**

Labor	\$423.00	Appro.	\$600.00
Cinders	98.50		
Material	21.25		
Tools	3.50		
Gasoline	41.46		
Kerosene	4.75		
	<u>\$592.46</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	7.54		
	<u>\$600.00</u>		

**Water Department**

Commissioners \$	300.00	Appro.	
Supt. Salary	1,380.00	Salaries	\$ 9,240.00
Collector's Salary	600.00	Expense	10,710.00
Clerical	25.00		



Stationery & Postage	136.12
Printing & Advertising	3.00
Telephone	233.88
Labor	2,181.00
Trucks	162.88
Pipe & Fittings	903.17
New Truck	540.00
Civil Engineers	118.15
Insurance	244.16
Painting Standpipe	231.41
Freight	16.95
All Others	31.62
Pumping Station:—	
Engineers	4,800.00
Oil, Packing, etc.	277.40
Lights	762.12
Fuel	1,814.56
Freight	2,594.42
Hydrants	362.56
Repairs	2.33
Labor	29.25
Driving Wells	640.00
Well Points	856.55
Taxes—1940	28.50
All Others	512.77

\$19,787.85

Bal. to Revenue	162.15
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\$19,950.00

## New Water Supply

Prov. Light & Jan. 1, 1940

Power Co.	\$362.31	Balance	\$384.03
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Chemicals	10.05
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Electric Heater	4.14
Labor	5.50
Supplies	1.85

\$383.85

Bal. to Revenue	.18
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\$384.03

## Cemeteries

Commissioners	\$ 30.00	Appro.	\$500.00
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Labor	212.20
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Material	22.62
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Fence	210.00
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Paint	13.85
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\$488.67

Bal. to Revenue	11.33
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\$500.00

## Veterans' Graves

Labor	\$ 85.00	Appro.	\$100.00
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Bal. to Revenue	15.00
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\$100.00

### Maintenance of Town Pier

Material	\$2,739.24	Appro.	\$5,000.00
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Labor	1,872.47
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Lights	201.91
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Liability Ins.	138.00
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Traveling Expense 12.10

Telephone &

Postage	2.28
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Ins. on Float	24.00
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Storage Float	10.00
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\$5,000.00



**Town Pier—Commissioners**

Salaries	\$150.00	Appro.	
		Salaries	\$150.00

**Town Pier—Salary and Labor**

Wharfinger	\$ 25.00	Appro.	\$100.00
Harbor Master	25.00		
Caretaker Float	50.00		
	<u>\$100.00</u>		

**Municipal Indebtedness  
Temporary Loans**

Jan. 1, 1940,	
Due	\$ 40,000.00
Loans in 1940	140,000.00
	<u>\$180,000.00</u>
Paid in 1940	145,000.00
	<u>Balance Due</u>
	\$ 35,000.00

**Interest on Temporary Loans**

Payments	\$650.00	Appro.	\$500.00
Bal. to Revenue	25.00	Reserve Fund	175.00
	<u>\$675.00</u>		<u>\$675.00</u>

**Interest on Funded Debt**

Jr. Sr. High		Appro.	\$1,777.50
School Loan	\$1,440.00		
New Water Supply	315.63		
	<u>\$1,755.63</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	21.87		
	<u>\$1,777.50</u>		

**Maturing Debt**

Jr. Sr. High		Appro.	\$9,500.00
School	\$6,000.00		
New Water			
Supply	3,500.00		
	<u>\$9,500.00</u>		

**Notes Payable**

Jr. Sr. High School:		Net Bonded	
1941	\$6,000.00	Debt	\$53,500.00
1942	6,000.00		
1943	6,000.00		
1944	6,000.00		
1945	6,000.00		
New Water Supply:			
1941	\$3,500.00		
1942	3,500.00		
1943	3,500.00		
1944	3,000.00		
1945	2,000.00		
1946	2,000.00		
1947	2,000.00		
1948	2,000.00		
1949	2,000.00		

**Summary of Cash Account**

January 1, 1940, Cash on hand	\$ 13,002.27
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**Receipts**

Taxes 1938	\$ 14,891.72
Taxes 1939	36,053.74
Taxes 1940	112,130.59
	<u>\$163,076.05</u>
Temporary Loans	\$140,000.00
Loan Sec. 6A Chapt. 44	5,000.00
Estimated Receipts	96,102.59



Tax Titles	255.46
Dog Licensed	381.60
Bounties on Seals	5.00
Old Age Assistance Admin.	710.93
Old Age U. S. Grants	21,329.47
Vocational Smith-Hughes Fund	52.41
Vocational George-Deen Fund	10.00
Co. of Barnstable Chap. 90	3,546.65
Comm. of Mass. Chap. 90	6,046.65
Mother's Aid Admin.	20.94
Mother's Aid U. S. Grants	3,000.93
Benj. Small Fund Income	139.20
Cemetery Perp. Care Bequests	3,000.00
Cemetery Perp. Care Income	1,808.37
Cemetery Sale of Lots	65.00
Refunds of Departments	232.77
	<hr/> \$281,707.97

\$457,786.29

#### Expenditures

State and County Taxes	\$ 27,908.46
Moderator	25.00
Finance Committee	50.00
Selectmen's Dept.	1,425.67
Town Clerk's Dept.	1,238.90
Treasurer's Dept.	1,042.84
Refund Estimated Receipts	100.00
Assessor's Dept.	1,938.80
Abatements after Payments	184.95
Tax Collector's Dept.	1,599.48
Auditor	325.00
Legal Expense	507.34
Election and Registration	1,000.00
Town Hall	4,086.49
Police Dept.	7,607.02
Maintenance Police Car	559.50
Criminal Prosecution	224.72

Fire Dept.	4,845.41
Insurance on Firemen	398.75
New Fire Truck	4,500.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	250.00
Moth Extermination	143.70
Tree Warden	5.00
Insurance on Public Buildings	2,526.37
Shell Fish Constable	25.00
General Health	3,209.86
Members Health Dept.	310.50
Health Agent	1,140.00
Rubbish Disposal	2,549.32
Visiting Nurse	1,697.86
Inspection—Cattle, Slaughtering	25.00
Highway Salaries	2,520.00
Roads and Walks	9,209.03
Street Lighting	5,600.00
Traffic Signs	250.00
Abutters Bradford Street Extension	100.00
Purchase of Land	300.00
Highway Construction—Chapter 90	19,427.17
Public Welfare Dept.	1,345.62
Outside Poor	9,957.90
Welfare Bills 1936	250.00
Welfare Bills, 1937	268.00
Welfare Bills, 1939	984.75
Infirmary	3,365.88
Mother's Aid, A. D. C.	8,610.87
State Aid	130.00
Military Aid	230.00
Soldier's Relief	3,395.85
Old Age Assistance	43,378.83
Old Age Assistance Administration	891.04
Mother's Aid Administration, A. D. C.	23.50
W. P. A.	2,699.58
Maintenance of Schools	59,022.77
Maintenance of Eastern School Building	500.00



George Deen Fund	10.00
Smith-Hughes Fund ,	52.41
Public Library	2,999.68
Armistice Day	97.26
Memorial Day	149.48
Town Reports and Finance Reports	780.00
Expense on R. R. Property and Land Taking	46.80
Cape Cod Hospital	500.00
Purchase New Trees	26.20
Band Concerts	300.00
Christmas Lighting	100.00
Ambulance Fund	500.00
Bounty on Seals	20.00
Inspector of Wires	10.00
Airport	592.46
Fish and Game Appropriation	98.67
County of Barnstable, Dogs Licensed	381.60
Water Dept.	19,787.85
New Water Supply	383.85
Cemeteries	488.67
Veteran's Graves	85.00
Commissioners Town Pier	150.00
Maintenance of Town Pier	5,000.00
Salary and Labor Town Pier	100.00
Temporary Loans	145,000.00
Interest Temporary Loans	650.00
Interest Funded Debt	1,755.63
Maturing Debt	9,500.00
Cemetery Perp. Care Bequests	3,000.00
Cemetery Perp. Care Income	1,808.37
Benjamin Small Income	129.72
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	\$438,415.38
December 31, 1940, Cash on hand	19,370.91
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	\$457,786.29

**Trust and Investment Funds**

December 31, 1940, Cash on hand \$ 86,335.72

**Benjamin Small Library Fund**

Deposits Seamen's Savings Bank \$ 5,319.89  
 January 1, 1940, Cash on hand 151.43  
 Income in 1940 139.20

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\$ 5,610.52  
 Payments in 1940 129.72

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\$ 5,480.80

**Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund**

January 1, 1940, Cash on hand \$ 63,565.53  
 Bequests invested in 1940 3,000.00

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\$ 66,565.53

**Cemetery Perpetual Care Income**

December 31, 1940, Balance on deposit \$ 14,289.39

**Trust Funds**

Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds \$ 66,565.53  
 Cemetery Perpetual Care Income 14,289.39  
 Benjamin Small Library Fund 5,480.80

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\$ 86,335.72



# TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

## Balance Sheet—December 31, 1940

### General Account

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash:		Balances:	
In Bank and Office	\$ 19,370.91	Temporary Loans	\$ 35,000.00
Accounts Receivable:		Veterans' Exemptions	3.33
Levy of 1938	\$ 45.85	Federal Grants:	
Levy of 1939	20,766.50	Old Age Assistance Adm.	\$ 81.03
Levy of 1940	56,912.44	Old Age Assistance	63.37
	77,724.79	Aid Dependent Children Adm.	63.77
Vessel Excise Taxes:		Aid Dependent Children	189.08
Levy of 1939	\$ 14.00		397.25
Levy of 1940	67.33	Highway Fund, Chap. 90	76.47
	81.33	Expense on Railroad Property	1,211.60
M. V. Excise Taxes:		Moth Extermination	856.30
Levy of 1939	\$ 27.85	Resurface Race Road	500.00
Levy of 1940	464.03	Resurface Montello Street	500.00
	491.88	Re-seeding Shellfish	300.00
Tax Titles	2,072.71	Unexpended Balances	1,243.11
Departmental:		Reserve Overlay Surplus	11.43
Public Welfare	\$ 776.33	Estimated Receipts	28,330.39
Aid Dependent Children	2,205.34	Cemetery, Sale of Lots	2,971.85
Old Age Assistance	14,935.38	Benjamin Small Fund, Income	160.91
	17,917.05	Overlays for abatement of taxes:	
Water Revenue	5,410.63	Levy of 1939	\$ 419.72
Overlay Deficits:		Levy of 1940	2,037.94
Levy of 1938	1,379.85		2,457.66
Parks and Reservations	12.22	Revenue reserved until collected:	
		Vessel Excise Taxes	\$ 81.33
		M. V. Excise Taxes	491.88
			573.21

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Tax Title Revenue	2,072.71
Departmental	17,917.05
Water Revenue	5,410.63
	\$ 99,993.90
Excess and Deficiency	24,467.47
	\$124,461.37

### Debit Account

Net Bonded Debt	\$53,500.00	Jr. Sr. High School	\$30,000.00
		New Water Supply	23,500.00
			\$53,500.00

### Trust Fund Account

Trust Funds	\$86,335.72	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$66,565.53
		Cemetery Perpetual Care, Income	14,289.39
		Benjamin Small Library Fund	5,480.80
			\$86,335.72

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GEORGE S. CHAPMAN, Treasurer.



## Report of Treasurer of Cemetery Trust Fund

Vote of the Town, February 15, 1894

"That the Treasurer be authorized to receive the money donated to the Town for the care of Cemetery Lots, not less than Twenty-five Dollars."

1879 to Dec. 31, 1940	Deposits	Accrued Interest	Care of Lots	Condition Dec. 31, 1940
	\$63,565.53	\$9,497.85	\$1,799.37	\$71,264.01
Bequests 1940:				
Albert L. Burch	500.00	9.00		509.00
Francis C. Miller	300.00	4.50		304.50
B. H. Dyer	600.00	9.00	9.00	600.00
Hatsold B. Freeman	300.00	5.00		305.00
Gifford and Elder	100.00			100.00
Benjamin Gifford	100.00			100.00
F. W. Harvender	300.00			300.00
Matthias W. Burt	100.00			100.00
Waterman C. Quinn	400.00			400.00
William Clark	300.00			300.00
	<u>\$66,565.53</u>	<u>\$9,525.35</u>	<u>\$1,808.37</u>	<u>\$74,282.51</u>

The Fund consists of:

Bonds at par	\$15,000.00
Deposits Seamen's Savings Bank	38,744.41
Deposits First National Bank	12,821.12
	<u>\$66,565.53</u>

The income from the investment of the fund the past year was \$2,237.33. The several accounts were credited with dividends at the rate of three per cent requiring \$1,934.43.

The unused balances of the several accounts now amount to \$7,716.98 which is on deposit in the Seamen's Savings Bank. The interest now amounts to \$6,572.41.

Deposited in Seamen's Savings Bank, interest account \$14,289.39.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN,  
Treasurer.

## Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners wish to submit for your approval the following report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Appropriation for Town Cemeteries	\$500.00
Expense on Town Cemeteries:	
Labor	\$212.20
New fence	210.00
Supplies	36.47
Commissioners' salaries	30.00
	<u>488.67</u>
Balance unexpended	\$ 11.33

We recommend that the sum of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars be appropriated for improvements on the Town Cemeteries in the year 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. COOK  
JOSEPH C. NUNES  
HERSEY D. TAYLOR  
Cemetery Commissioners.



## Report of the Police Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Gentlemen:

I herewith respectfully submit my annual report of the Police Department, of the Town of Provincetown for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Total number of persons arrested	118
Female	4
Male	114

Offences for which arrests were made, and disposition of same:

	Male	Female	Total
Assault and Battery			
Found guilty and fine imposed	1		1
Found guilty, sentenced and suspended	3		3
Breaking and Entering			
Found not guilty, discharged	1		1
Disturbing the Peace			
Found guilty, filed	1		1
Malicious Destruction of Property			
Found guilty, sentence suspended	2		2
Larceny			
Found guilty, restitution made	2		2
Drunkenness			
Found guilty, placed on file	11		11
Found guilty, sentenced to house of correction	3		3
Found guilty, sentence suspended	8		8
Found guilty, fine imposed	5		5
Found not guilty, discharged	1		1
Legally released by the Probation Officer	47		47

	Male	Female	Total
Arson			
Found guilty, sentenced to the State Farm	1		1
Statutory Rape			
Found guilty, sentenced to State Prison	1		1
Threaten to do Bodily Harm			
Found not guilty, discharged	1		1
Vagrancy			
Found guilty, filed	1		1
Found guilty, discharged	1		1
Non-Support			
Found guilty, sentenced and suspended	1		1
Found guilty, discharged (Not)	1		1
Found guilty, restitution made	2		2
Insane Persons			
Committed to Taunton State Hospital	3	3	6
Committed to Psychopathic Hospital	1		1
Committed to Westboro State Hospital	2		2
Committed to Wrentham State School	2		2
Motor Vehicle Laws			
Operating under the Influence of Liquor			
Found guilty, fine imposed	9	1	10
Operating so as to Endanger			
Found Guilty, fine imposed	1		1
Found guilty, filed	1		1
Using without Authority			
Found guilty, sentence suspended	1		1
	114	4	118



**Salaries Paid for the Year 1940**

Appropriation		\$6,800.00
Chief Anthony P. Tarvers	\$1,800.00	
Officer John Rego	1,300.00	
Officer Frank Nolet	1,300.00	
Officer Joseph Cabral	1,300.00	
Officer John Ford	275.00	
Officer John Silva	275.00	
Officer Philip Croteau	275.00	
Officer Joseph Souza	275.00	
		<hr/> \$6,800.00

**Office Expenditures for the Year 1940**

Appropriation		\$820.28
New England Tel. and Tel. Co.	\$441.32	
Los Angeles Stamp Co.	38.60	
H. M. Meserve	15.40	
New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Co.	4.12	
Slade's Gift Shop	8.50	
M. Schwartz and Co.	72.80	
H. S. Watson (Dog Officer)	157.40	
Horne and Schwartz	40.29	
U. S. Post Office	6.00	
High School	5.00	
Barnstable County Typewriter Co.	10.00	
B. H. Dyer Co.	1.05	
Ernie Irmer	1.50	
Columbia Ribbon Company	10.25	
Miller and Co.	2.55	
Mayflower Gift Shop	.30	
Provincetown Bakery	5.20	
		<hr/> \$820.28

**Car Maintenance for the Year 1940**

Appropriation		\$559.63
Cape End Motors	\$178.55	
Sivert Benson (Insurance)	140.21	

Peters' Filling Station	10.45	
Shell Oil Company	86.68	
Paige Brothers' Garage	138.46	
		<hr/> \$554.30

**Traffic Signs**

Appropriation		\$250.00
Francis Alves	\$178.83	
Higgins Lumber Co.	19.68	
John Oliver	12.00	
Dyer Sales Company	38.00	
		<hr/> \$248.51

**Criminal Prosecution**

Appropriation		\$220.00
Anthony P. Tarvers	\$ 32.70	
Rose Thomas	40.00	
John Ford	45.00	
Theda Rogers	60.00	
John S. Silva	7.82	
Frank Rogers	20.00	
Walter Nickerson	10.00	
		<hr/> \$215.52

The cruiser on out of town trips to the different Houses of Correction and Penal Institutions throughout the Commonwealth covered , 3,225 Mi.

Regular patrols, house inspections and necessary Police work 18,081 Mi.

Total 21,306 Mi.

**Summary**

Offences	Fines
Assault and Battery	\$100.00
Drunkenness	80.00
Motor Vehicle Laws	500.00
	<hr/> \$680.00
Total Fines	



Property Stolen	Valued at \$53,111.12
Property Recovered	Valued at \$53,111.12
Accidents Reported	30
Accidents Investigated	30
Complaints Received	505
Complaints Investigated	505
Disturbances Suppressed	35
Dogs Killed	12
Street Lights Reported Out	150

Respectfully submitted,

ANTHONY P. TARVERS,  
Chief of Police.

## Report of Board of Health

To the Honorable Board of Health:

I respectfully submit my report as Agent of the Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1940.

Home visits	15
Quarantines	354
Health lectures	20
Fumigations	4
Burial permits	48
Cesspools	50
Registration of births	—
Dog bites	12
Sanatorium visits	10
Complaints	476
Rooming house permits	20
Number of sanitary inspections	1,704
Number of places inspected	564

### Places of Business Inspected by Agent

Rooming houses operated by taxpayers	310
Rooming houses operated by summer visitors	47
Camps and apartments	144
Studios	76
Garages and Filling Stations	12
Fish markets	4
Bakeries	3
Drug stores	3
Electric shops	2
Jelly House	1
Milk farms	2
Night clubs	7
Clubs	3
Undertakers' parlors	3
Beer and wine bars	5



Lunch rooms and restaurants	45
Tea Rooms	16
Package stores	4
Meat and Grocery stores	17
Movie Houses	1
Playhouses	1
General stores	5
Beano	1
Barber shops	8
Fish plants	5
Canneries	1
Gift shops	36
Shell fish plants	7
Schools	5
Stables	6
Gift shops operated by summer visitors, also living in trailers	4

#### Inspection of Foods

This year condition of foods was very satisfactory as compared with all past years. Most of the restaurants and lunch rooms were very careful in handling food.

This year all people employed in public restaurants, who were not citizens of Provincetown, were requested to present to their employer a medical certificate showing that he or she was free from any infectious or contagious disease. So that as far as the handling of food in our restaurants this year is concerned, we are far ahead of last year in sanitary conditions. Of course, there were one or two restaurants here that had to be checked thoroughly, due to lack of co-operation between employer and the help.

In one case, this department was forced to serve an "Abatement of Nuisance" on the proprietor of a restaurant. In some stores your Agent had to call the attention of the manager to different displays. In one store it was the fish display. Fish being shipped to Provincetown

from Boston, having been caught for 4 or 5 days by some large beam trawler and after being sold in Boston at a wholesale market, was shipped to Provincetown. Your Agent had to condemn a great deal of fish this year. In other places he had to condemn meat cuts, that were not fit to be served to the public. This was in some of the so-called restaurants operating in Provincetown. After an inspection by the State, County and local Agent, it was agreed that the cells in the basement of Town Hall be condemned. It was also agreed that the bed clothing be condemned and new arrangements be made for a lock-up.

This matter has been taken up with the Board of Selectmen and we expect some action on same by our next Town Meeting. If no action is taken these cells will not be used after our annual February Town Meeting. As your Agent, I wish to state that I have received a number of complaints from the outside public regarding the conditions existing in the cells. The law of Massachusetts requires that there should be a detention room, so that if a woman is arrested and locked up there should be a nurse attendant, also there should be running water and flush toilets in the cells. With these cells in such a condition, it is bad enough to lock up a man, but quite an impossible place for a woman, regardless of the offense she has committed.

I wish to go on record as stating that those cells are not fit for any human being to be locked up in.

Our office has now new forms approved by the County, which the inspector of public places must fill out. It contains 39 questions. By filling out this form, the members of the Board or anyone who wishes to know examination may be able to get full information. A copy of this is left with the manager, a copy is to be sent to the County Health office and the other is in the Provincetown office.



Your Agent this year, has asked for an Advisory Board, consisting of three men with whom your Agent will have some consultations on health problems. These men are not members of any department but are retired men who have no reason, whatever, to favor and particular cause.

#### **Town Dump Report**

I wish to submit my report to the Board of Health about the Town Dump. First of this year, at a meeting held in the office of the Board of Health on January second, it was then and there voted that the salary of the Caretaker of the dump be raised \$10.00 per month. No doubt the citizens of Provincetown know this man is doing a very great piece of work. We also erected at the dump this year, a water pump and pressure tank with about 250 feet of 1½ inch pipe and 250 feet of garden hose. This pump was operated and cared for by the Agent. The pressure tank was always kept filled and the capacity of this tank is 350 gallons of water. It was installed at the bottom of the dump by a large pond. At the top of the dump, which has an elevation of 37 feet, the pressure of this water is 44 pounds, able therefore to take care of any serious fire.

You will notice the expenditures of labor at the Town dump has been cut considerably. Since we have had the pump, we did not have to hire labor for fighting fires as in past years. Also in Provincetown, the Fire Department did not have to be called as in past years. This is a saving of money for our Town, through my department and that of the Fire Department.

We have had a great number of breaking and entering at the buildings at the dump this year. We have lost approximately \$180.00 worth of equipment. These breaks have been reported to the Police Department of Provincetown. Our department has worked in conjunction with the Police Department in trying to locate the

sources of the breaks. We were successful in tracking down two breaks. We found one case where three young boys had broken into the shed at the dump and stolen tools, chairs, etc., for their camp which they had in the woods. The other break that we were able to trace we found five small boys had torn shutters from the building, broken windows and opened the latch on the door and had gone in to get warm. They did not take anything. The two big breaks were done during the night and a car was used because the tracks were still there in the morning. We tried to catch the person again at the scene, by hiring a night watchman. We did this for three weeks without success and did not feel that any more money should be spent on a night watchman, so we cancelled it.

We have had a great deal of damage done at the dump by young boys with 22 rifles. We have now issued a ruling that any boys caught on premises with a rifle will be punished by law. We have a sign on the dump reading, "No shooting on this property."

We have tried to give better service in rubbish disposal this year than ever before. We have had a number of extra cartings, but as your Agent, I recommend highly a weekly rubbish collection instead of every two weeks during the winter months as in the past. I wish to call to your attention the number of loads of rubbish carted to the dump up until December 25th, 1940: 6,349 loads of rubbish. An increase of 2,000 over last year. As your Agent, I hope that in 1941 the Board of Health will erect around the buildings at the Town dump, a high wire fence, so that this will stop the breaking and entering.

Yours respectfully,

FRANK FLORES,

Agent.



**General Health**

Transportation	\$ 261.42
General labor	445.03
Beach patrol, 5 men	740.31
Milk Inspector	85.00
Office supplies	190.60
Vital statistics	21.75
Medical care and treatment	279.05
Pocasset Sanatorium	610.01
Telephones	232.06
Printing and advertising	261.03
Express	3.01
Post Office	29.70
Legal advice	50.00

Total	\$3,209.86
Balance	.14

Total	\$3,210.00
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The appropriation was \$3,000.00, borrowed from Free Cash \$200.00 and refunded \$10.00. Making a total of \$3,210.00.

**Rubbish**

Appropriation	\$2,500.00
Carting of rubbish	1,097.00
Caretaker	720.00
Assistant caretaker	312.00
Pump and equipment	250.12
General labor, materials, tools, oil, etc.	170.20

Total	\$2,549.32
Balance	.68

Total	\$2,550.00
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The appropriation was \$2,500.00 and \$50.00 was borrowed from Free Cash.

**Visiting Nurse**

1940 Appropriation	\$1,700.00
Angie Prada, Nurse's salary	656.25
Helen C. Pierce, Nurse's salary	687.50
Ruth Slade, Nurse's salary	62.50
Angie Prada, vacation money	62.50
Expenses	229.11

Total	\$1,697.86
Balance	2.14

Total	\$1,700.00
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**Members' Salary**

1940 Appropriation	\$300.00
Charles N. Rogers	12.50
Frank Flores	100.00
Harry Lehsten	100.00
Helen C. Pierce	38.00
Leon Costa	48.00

Total	\$298.50
Balance	1.50

Total	\$300.00
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**Agent's Salary**

Appropriation \$1,100	Spent \$1,100.00
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To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The Board of Health submits its report. The report of the Agent and the Public Health Nurse, hereto annexed are made a part of the report.

The following is a summary of the communicable diseases that have come to the attention of this department for the year of 1940:



Chicken Pox	101
Dog Bites	12
Measles	257
Conjunctivitis	5
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	7
Typhoid Fever	1
Whooping Cough	6
Mumps	13
Undulant Fever	2

The number of cases of dog bites this year is less than last year, with an exception that three or four of the cases have been serious ones and in many of these cases it has been impossible to get reimbursement for money spent on treatment of patients, because of unlicensed dogs. There are a few more cases of tuberculosis reported this year than in the past years. There are, however, four cases under treatment at the Barnstable County Sanatorium which were admitted during the year 1940. There is due the Town from the Commonwealth \$517.86, which is the reimbursement on account of money expended for the care at the Sanatorium.

The membership and organization of the Board of Health again has experienced a number of changes this year. This was caused in the first instance, by another serious illness of Miss Angie Prada, Public Health Nurse, who was given a six months leave of absence on June 2nd. Helen C. Pierce, of Board, resigned her membership in order that she might be appointed to act as Nurse during that period.

In the meanwhile, between the time of Miss Prada's sickness and the appointment of Mrs. Pierce, a substitute was hired, Mrs. Ruth Slade. The remaining members of the Board at a joint meeting with the Selectmen in July, then appointed Leon Costa, who was made a members of the Board to fill the vacancy of Helen Pierce. It is obvious from the foregoing that the report

of the Public Health Nurse again must be presented in two parts. That is, each Nurse has made a report covering the period of her service. As members of this Board we wish to call the attention of the citizens of our Town to some of the expenditures in our Department, on January 2nd of 1940. A Milk Inspector was appointed for the first time in a long time during the functioning of the Board of Health. The salary of the Inspector was \$100.00. This, of course, has to be taken from the General Health, as no provisions were made for such a salary. Also it was then and there voted on the raising of the salary of the Caretaker of the dump which meant a little more expenditure. You perhaps have noticed that this year, on the beach, were hired men on full time basis with a raise from \$25.00 a month to \$40.00, which meant more expenditures. Nevertheless, our Board feels that a great deal was accomplished by full time work.

You will also notice that our Agent makes the foregoing report which is part of our report in regards to the activities of the dump. The installing of a pump and pressure tank which has been a great saving. As members of this Board, we are proud to be able to enter into our annual report to the citizens of Provincetown that for the first time in our history, we have a pasturization plant. This plant being located at the Galeforce Farm. It has been inspected by State Inspectors and by members of this Board and has met with approval with State and Provincetown Health Departments. We feel that this is a great step in the protection of milk for our citizens.

Another item in which this Board, after careful consideration, voted to have rubbish collection throughout the Town of Provincetown weekly instead of having two collections per month during the winter and weekly collections during the summer. We felt that the major-



ity of the citizens who are all year round residents are the heavy taxpayers of our community and should have the benefit of the weekly collection. With such a small amount of money over last year's agreement between Silva's Trucking Co., and the Board of Health we are able to give you this service. It is the ambition of this Board to give every possible assistance to our citizens in regards to any sanitary conditions and to avoid the spreading of disease, if possible.

In closing, the Board of Health again desires to express their appreciation to all who by their co-operation have tried to make Provincetown a better and healthier place in which to live.

FRANK FLORES  
LEON COSTA  
HARRY H. LEHSTEN  
Board of Health.

#### REPORT OF SLAUGHTER INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Board of Health,  
Provincetown, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

I wish to submit my report as acting Slaughter Inspector for the Town of Provincetown, without compensation. Mr. Watson, the Slaughter Inspector, has already received compensation for this position and was called away. Some one had to take this position without pay. I voluntarily took the appointment.

I have inspected the following:

Slaughtering of cattle	1
Slaughtering of swine	13

During my time as acting Inspector, I have attended all slaughterings from the beginning to the end. I have seen work performed by four different Slaughterers,

Manuel Snow, Gene Souza, Warren Alexander and Joseph Alves. I want to congratulate these men on the wonderful performance in both slaughtering and cutting up of swine.

I have timed these men during the time of slaughtering and most of the swine live 1 minute, 10 seconds. In a number of times I found them to die in 25 seconds. This does away with suffering for the animal.

Hoping that this report will meet with your approval, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

FRANK FLORES,  
Acting Slaughter Inspector for  
the Town of Provincetown.

#### REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE FOR THE YEAR 1940

To the Board of Health,  
Provincetown, Mass.

As substitute Public Health Nurse, I submit my report for the period May 31, 1940 to December 31, 1940.

Pay Calls	375
Free Nursing Visits	598
Follow up (free)	78
Infant Supervision (free)	132
Tuberculosis (free)	66
Pre-natal (free)	36
Post-partum (pay and free)	124
Maternities (pay and free)	25
Babies (pay and free)	145
Deaths	0
Mothers	0
Babies	0
Hospital Trips (pay)	1



Office Visits (free)	138
Clinics	
Chest Clinics held 5 times.	
Patients examined and x-rayed	52
Child Welfare Conference held 18 times	
Infants	104
Pre-school	38
Homes visited	121
Total number of visits	1,580
Unpaid bills	\$ 38.25
Money received	\$177.25

The expense of the Public Health Nurse has increased this year due to the fact that a large amount of gauze dressings, adhesive and bandages had to be supplied patients who were unable to obtain them themselves.

There are still a number of unpaid bills due for nursing rendered during the year 1940. These bills are to be paid during this year, according to the testimony of the patients.

While a member of the Board of Health in the year 1939 and in 1940 up until June 1st, I have kept in constant touch with the Metropolitan Insurance Company in regards to the establishing of nursing service for their policy holders. I have met the Supervisor of the nursing service of the Metropolitan Insurance Co., a number of times, who was in favor of establishing the Metropolitan Nursing Service. I expect, as your Public Health Nurse, to have an appointment in the future with the Supervisor of the Metropolitan Co. I am greatly in hopes of being able to have the Metropolitan Insurance Co., once more resume their services with that of our Public Health Nursing in the Town of Provincetown.

The reason for their discontinuing their service, I, as Public Health Nurse, am unable to explain. If this service is once more resumed it will mean a great deal more

revenue to the Town of Provincetown, as there are a great number of families within our Town that are Metropolitan policy holders.

At this time I want to thank the citizens of Provincetown for their courtesy extended to me as Public Health Nurse in the past 6 months and also to members of the Board of Health for their co-operation in same

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN C. PIERCE, R. N.,  
Substitute Public Health Nurse,  
Provincetown, Mass.

### INSPECTOR OF MILK

To the Provincetown Board of Health,  
Dear Sirs:

As Milk Inspector during the year 1940, and covering a period as of the dates August 7, 1940 to January 1, 1941, I wish to submit for your approval the following report. This department issued 56 milk licenses and 9 Oleomargarine permits. I found six establishments doing business without the necessary license, but most of them were Common Victualers and seemingly unaware that they were required to be licensed by the Town. In some cases I found our Town merchants quite lax in allowing their permits to expire and not renewing them immediately. All milk licenses run out on June 1, of the following year, and Oleo permits should be renewed on May 1st.

With proper, and adequate facilities this office can be vital and essential to the citizens' general health. I would like to request that the Health Department allow the Milk Inspector approximately \$10.00, which is a maximum figure, for the purchase of necessary equipment to take quarterly samples of milk. These samples



will then be shipped to our State laboratory for a check on butter-fat content, and most important to prevent any cases of undulant fever by keeping a constant check on the bacteria content of our milk supply.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVING ROGERS,  
Milk Inspector.

## Public Welfare Department

### Public Welfare Department

Salaries	\$1,080.00	Appro.	
Stationery &		Salaries	\$1,080.00
Postage	48.33	Expense	450.00
Telephone	23.54	Refund	2.00
Traveling Expense	26.00		
Investigator	167.75		

\$1,345.62

Bal. to Revenue 186.38

\$1,532.00

\$1,532.00

### Outside Poor

Groceries &		Appro.	\$8,000.00
Provisions	\$5,665.59	Reserve Fund	450.00
Fuel	2,417.52	Free Cash	1,500.00
Medical	101.96	Refunds	8.79
Board & Care	10.00		
Cash Aid &			
Rents	1,538.83		
Clothing, etc.	224.00		

\$9,957.90

Bal. to Revenue .89

\$9,958.79

\$9,958.79

### Welfare Bills 1936

Funeral Services	\$250.00	Appro.	\$250.00
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### Welfare Bills 1937

Funeral Services	\$125.00	Appro.	\$268.00
Cities & Towns	143.00		

\$268.00



**Welfare Bills 1939**

Groceries & Provisions	\$415.20	Appro.	\$986.00
Medical	57.50		
Clothing	65.02		
Fuel	323.11		
Cash Aid	122.00		
Telephone	1.92		
	<hr/> \$984.75		
Bal. to Revenue	1.25		
	<hr/> \$986.00		

**Infirmery**

Matron	\$ 600.00	Appro.	\$3,000.00
Groceries & Provisions	1,096.52	Free Cash	400.00
Dry Goods & Clothing	18.20		
Building	664.63		
Fuel and Light	619.44		
Medical	83.00		
Telephone	29.31		
Funeral Service	125.00		
All Others	129.78		
	<hr/> \$3,365.88		
Bal. to Revenue	34.12		
	<hr/> \$3,400.00		<hr/> \$3,400.00

**Aid To Dependent Children**

Cash Grants	\$8,610.87	Jan. 1, 1940	
Bal. to Revenue	189.08	Balance	\$ 531.02
		Appro.	3,500.00

Overlay Reserve	1,768.00
U. S. Grants	3,000.93
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\$8,799.95	\$8,799.95

**Old Age Assistance**

Cash Grants	\$43,378.83	Jan. 1, 1940	
Balance	63.37	Balance	\$ 94.76
		Appro.	15,000.00
		Overlay Reserve	3,532.00
		Free Cash	2,900.00
		Transfer	500.00
		U. S. Grants	21,329.47
		Refunds	85.97
	<hr/> \$43,442.20		<hr/> \$43,442.20

**Old Age Assistance Administration**

Clerical	\$525.03	Jan. 1, 1940	
Stationery & Postage	366.01	Balance	\$253.14
		U. S. Grants	710.93
		Refund	8.00
	<hr/> \$891.04		
Bal. to Revenue	81.03		
	<hr/> \$972.07		<hr/> \$972.07

Respectfully submitted,

N. EDWIN LEWIS  
 JESSE D. ROGERS  
 FRANK H. BARNETT  
 Board of Public Welfare.



## Report of Board of Selectmen

### Selectmen's Department

Salaries	\$1,080.00	Appro.	
Stationery & Postage	72.17	Salaries	\$1,080.00
Printing & Advertising	95.10	Expenses	350.00
Traveling Expense	125.00		
Telephone	38.05		
All Others	15.35		
	<u>\$1,425.67</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	4.33		
	<u>\$1,430.00</u>		<u>\$1,430.00</u>

### Military Aid

Payments	\$230.00	Appro.	\$500.00
Bal. to Revenue	270.00		
	<u>\$500.00</u>		

### State Aid

Payments	\$130.00	Appro.	\$200.00
Bal. to Revenue	70.00		
	<u>\$200.00</u>		

### Soldier's Relief

Cash Aid	\$ 168.50	Appro.	\$3,000.00
Groceries & Provisions	1,814.72	Free Cash	400.00
Rents	314.00		

Medical	632.73
Fuel	427.90
Clothing	13.00
Soldier's Burial	25.00

	<u>\$3,395.85</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	4.15		
	<u>\$3,400.00</u>		<u>\$3,400.00</u>

### W. P. A.

Administration	\$ 39.90	Appro.	\$2,500.00
Co-ordinator	48.00	Free Cash	200.00
Commodities	958.31	Refund	1.80
Nursery Schools	454.37		
Cemetery Project	183.28		
Toy Project	133.55		
School Lunch Project	821.16		
Community Center	61.01		
	<u>\$2,699.58</u>		
Bal. to Revenue	2.22		
	<u>\$2,701.80</u>		<u>\$2,701.80</u>

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE D. ROGERS  
N. EDWIN LEWIS  
FRANK H. BARNETT  
Board of Selectmen.



## Assessor's Report

Valuation January 1, 1940

Real Estate	
Buildings	\$2,741,150.00
Land	1,146,750.00
Personal Estate	
Tangible Property	315,400.00
Total Valuation	<u>\$4,203,300.00</u>

### Tax Levy for 1940

Town Appropriations. (Voted since 1939 Tax Rate was fixed).

(a) Raised by taxation	\$204,720.25
(b) Taken from available funds	12,047.83
Total	<u>\$216,768.08</u>

Deficits due to abatements in excess of overlay of prior years:

1930	\$ 21.48
1932	203.00
1933	215.60
1934	240.72
1935	256.60
1936	306.30
1937	1,129.28
Total	<u>\$2,372.98</u>
Deficit Bounty on Seals	10.00

## State: Tax and Assessments

	1940 Estimates
State Tax	\$11,200.00
State Parks and Reservations	167.62
State Audit of Municipal	
Accounts	899.53
Cape Cod Mosquito Control	1,395.14
Veterans' Exemptions	27.66
Penalty Welfare Dept.	4.00
	<u>\$13,693.95</u>

## County: Tax and Assessments

	1940 Estimates
County Tax	\$ 14,227.40
Overlay of current year	7,667.61
Gross Amount to be raised	254,740.02
Total Estimated Receipts and	
Available Funds	79,714.72
Net Amount to be raised by	
Taxation on Polls and	
Property	<u>\$175,025.30</u>

## ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$13,766.74
Corporation Taxes	1,894.48
Gasoline Tax	6,546.40
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	5,439.85
Licenses	7,452.00
Fines	468.00
Vessel Excise	116.00
Interest on Tax Titles	74.40
Dog Refund	429.47
Town Clerk's Fees	231.65
Treasurer's Fees	4.00
Protection of Persons and Property	97.67
Health and Sanitation	516.21



Charities	537.17
Old Age Assistance	993.99
Soldier's Benefits	20.00
Schools	6,218.25
Libraries	133.45
State Aid	40.00
Water Department	16,131.74
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	2,086.70
Rentals	4,291.00
Sale of Materials	72.50
Public Service Corporation Tax 1939	5.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$67,566.98</b>

Overestimates of previous year to be used as available funds

(a) Parks and Reservations	23.70
(b) Cape Cod Mosquito Control	75.42
(c) Veterans' Exemption	.79

Appro. voted at Special Town Meeting to be taken from available funds with approval of Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation

12,047.83

Total Est. Receipts and Available Funds \$79,714.72

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on  
 Polls and Property \$175,025.30  
 Number of Polls 1,345 at \$2.00 each \$ 2,690.00

Total Valuation:

Personal Property	\$ 315,400.00	12,931.00
Real Estate	3,887,900.00	159,403.90

Total Taxes levied on Polls and Property \$175,025.30

Tax Rate \$41.00 per \$1,000.00

Number of Polls	1,345
Net amount raised by taxation	
On Personal Property	\$ 12,931.40
On Real Estate	\$159,403.90
On Polls	\$2,690.00
Number of acres of land assessed	480
Number of dwelling houses assessed	1,271
Number of horses assessed	12
Number of cows assessed	19
Number of heifers assessed	2
Number of swine assessed	10
Number of fowl assessed	125
Number of motor vehicles registered	862
Number of voters (male 1,128) (female 1,106)	2,234
Population, 1935 Census	4,071

Value of Assessed Personal Estate

Stock in trade	\$ 82,250.00
Machinery	64,450.00
Live Stock	2,100.00
All other tangible Personal Property	166,600.00

Total value of assessed Personal Estate \$315,400.00

Value of Assessed Real Estate

Land exclusive of buildings	\$1,146,750.00
Buildings exclusive of land	2,741,150.00

Total valuation of Assessed Estate

(Personal and Real) \$4,203,300.00

Tax Rate \$41.00 per \$1,000.00

#### December Assessment

Total value of assessed Real Estate	\$8,000.00
Value of buildings exclusive of land	\$8,000.00
Total Tax	\$ 328.00
Number of dwelling houses	25

Tax Rate \$41.00 per \$1,000.00



**Exempted Property**

Churches	\$ 83,000.00
Parsonages	16,300.00
Public Schools	151,000.00
Cemeteries	7,000.00
Fire Department	11,700.00
Public Library	10,000.00
Pilgrim Monument Association	60,000.00
Smith House	2,500.00
Town Home	8,000.00
Town Hall	135,000.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	50,000.00
United States Government	90,000.00
Historical Museum (Research Club)	6,000.00
Provincetown Art Association	7,500.00
Provincetown High School Athletic Ass'n	1,000.00
Province Lands	20,000.00
Town Athletic Field	300.00
West End Parking Square	3,000.00
Town Wharf and Parking Square	40,000.00
Street Department (Back Lot)	500.00
State Highway and Mayflower Heights	9,000.00
5 Whorf's Court	1,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$713,100.00</b>

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE D. ROGERS,  
N. EDWIN LEWIS,  
FRANK H. BARNETT,  
Assessors of Provincetown.

## Report of the Collector of Taxes

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

I submit my report for the year ending December 31,  
1940.

**1939**

Balance January 1st, 1940		\$60,491.30
Polls, Personal and Real Estate	\$36,053.74	
Tax Title credits	588.70	
Abatements	3,082.36	
Balance December 31st, 1940	20,766.50	
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	\$60,491.30	\$60,491.30

**1940**

Commitments, Polls, Personal and Real Estate		\$175,025.30
December Assessment		328.00
Polls, Personal and Real Estate	\$112,130.59	
Tax Title credits	680.60	
Abatements	5,629.67	
Balance December 31st, 1940	56,912.44	
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	\$175,353.30	\$175,353.30

**1939 Vessel**

Balance January 1st, 1940		\$128.99
Vessel Excise	\$104.99	
Abatements	10.00	
Balance December 31st, 1940	14.00	
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	\$128.99	\$128.99



**1940 Vessel**

Commitment		\$224.66
Vessel Excise	\$120.66	
Abatements	36.67	
Balance December 31st, 1940	67.33	
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	\$224.66	\$224.66

**1939 Motor Vehicle Excise**

Balance January 1st, 1940		\$512.95
Refunds		25.30
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$450.30	
Abatements	60.10	
Balance December 31st, 1940	27.85	
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	\$538.25	\$538.25

**1940 Motor Vehicle Excise**

Commitments		\$6,476.88
Refunds		148.43
Motor Vehicle Excise	\$5,717.75	
Abatements	443.53	
Balance December 31st, 1940	464.03	
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	\$6,625.31	\$6,625.31

Respectfully,

JOHN A. DUTRA,  
Collector of Taxes.

**Report of Water Department**

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The Water Commissioners submit their report for the year ending December 31st, 1940.

**Expenditures****Pumping Station, North Truro:**

Engineers' salaries	\$4,800.00
Coal	1,814.56
Freight on coal	2,579.58
Town of Truro, 1940 Taxes	28.50
Machinery parts, tools, fittings, etc.	429.23
Electricity and lamps	142.74
Wells, hauling, driving, labor, etc.	1,496.55
Telephone, freight, express and postage	188.18
Buildings, lumber, paint, and labor	311.78
Oil, grease and kerosene	161.80
Boiler treatment and packing	167.37
Track rent, N. Y., N. H., & H. R. R. Co.	1.00
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	\$12,121.29

**General Expense:**

Commissioners	\$300.00
Collector—Clerk	600.00
Insurance, workmens' Compensation	244.16
Telephone	33.76
Printing, stationery, postage and supplies	127.89
Clerical, 1940 commitment	25.00
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\$1,330.81



## Service:

Superintendent's salary	\$1,380.00
Assistants	2,160.00
Telephone	32.77
New Truck	540.00
Gas, oil, grease, etc.	168.39
Freight, express and postage	15.73
Hydrants, pipe, valves, fittings, etc.	1,044.32
Material and labor, standpipe cover	231.41
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	\$5,572.62

## New Water Supply Station, Town:

Electric Power	\$981.69
Supplies, labor, etc.	165.29
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	\$1,146.98

## Balance New Water Supply Appro.

January 1st, 1940	\$	384.03
Water Department Appro.		
February 1940		19,950.00
Balance unexpended New Water Supply, Water Department		162.33
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		\$20,334.03
		\$20,334.03

We recommend the sum of \$18,950.00 for the year 1941.

Water Department,

FRANK S. ALVES,  
WARREN ALEXANDER,  
MARION PERRY,  
Water Commissioners.

## Ambulance Fund

REPORT OF THE TREASURER  
For Year Ending December 31, 1940

Cash on hand January 1, 1940 \$1,299.23

## Receipts:

Town of Provincetown	\$500.00
Town of Truro	200.00
Town of Wellfleet	300.00
Donations	172.00
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	1,172.00

\$2,471.23

## Expenditures:

Gas and Oil	\$192.50
Drivers	379.95
Repairs and upkeep	270.94
Equipment	180.13
Laundry	47.56
Meals (Drivers)	62.48
Telephone	46.05
All others	1.50
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	\$1,181.11

Cash on hand December 31, 1940 1,290.12

\$2,471.23

## Total Trips Since Ambulance Was Donated In 1938

Provincetown	182	60.5 %
Truro	39	12.9 %
Wellfleet	80	26.6 %
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Total	301	100 %

Signed,

W. G. SLADE,  
Treasurer.



## Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In accordance with General Laws Chapter (98, Sections 34, 35) I submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

### Weighing and Measuring Devices:

Total number adjusted	28
Total number sealed	625
Total number not sealed	53
Total number condemned	2
Total number tested	627

Trial weighing and measuring of commodities sold or put up for sale:

Total number tested	414
Total number found correct	392
Total number found incorrect	22
Coal in transit	2

### Summary of Inspections made:

Peddlers' Licenses	15
Transient Vendors	4
Junk Licenses	5
Coal Certificates	2
Oil Jars	40
Glass Graduates	7
Junk Scales	4
Peddlers' Scales	4
Clinical Thermometers	35
Milk Jars	49
Ice Scales	6
Markings of Bread	43
Food Packages	115
Coal in Paper Bags	21

Charcoal in Bags	5
Other Inspections	35
Sealing fees and adjusting charges received and turned into Town Treasurer from Weights and Measures	\$ 82.77
Peddlers' License Fees	30.00
The Town received from Transient Vendors' Local License Fees	100.00

### Expenses for 1940

Salary of Sealer	\$150.00
Transportation of equipment	60.00
Robinson Seal Co., Dies and Seals	16.60
Convention Mass. Sealers' Convention	21.40
Dues in Association	2.00
	<hr/> \$250.00

May I take this opportunity to thank all of those who have cooperated with me during the year 1940 as your sealer of Provincetown.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR B. SILVA,  
Sealer.



## Report of the Engineers of the Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Gentlemen:

We herewith respectfully submit our annual report of the Board of Fire Engineers of the Town of Provincetown for the year ending December 31st, 1940.

### Financial

#### Salaries to May 1st, 1940

Board of Engineers	\$ 650.00	Appro. \$3,000.00
Stewards	435.00	
Firemen	1,793.68	
	<u>\$2,878.68</u>	
Balance to Revenue	121.32	
	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>

### Insurance on Firemen

Premium	\$398.75	Appro. \$398.75
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### Fire Department Expense to December 31, 1940

Maintenance of Trucks	\$ 291.51	Appro. \$2,000.00
Lights	136.80	
Telephone	34.39	
Watchmen, Forest and Dump Fires	61.55	
Supplies	947.45	
Repairs to Houses	319.77	

Postage and Printing	22.50
Coal	121.65
Siren	31.11

	<u>\$1,966.73</u>
Balance to Revenue	33.27

\$2,000.00

\$2,000.00

### Record of Fires for 1940

#### January 15th, 1940

Fire at 8:30 A. M. in Barber Shop owned by Frank Rosa, 310 Commercial St. No alarm sounded. Fire caused by overheated stove pipe. Caught fire around pipe that went into partition. Extinguished with water. Value of building, \$3,800.00; insurance on building, \$2,500.00; damage to building, \$25.00; insurance paid, \$25.00. No damage to contents.

#### January 29th, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 12:20 p. m. for Steele's Oil Truck afire on Court St. No damage.

#### January 31st, 1940

Still alarm at 1 P. M. Fire at 208 Bradford St.; cottage owned by Frederick Marvin but not occupied at the time. Mattress was set afire. Value of building, \$1,200.00; insurance on building, \$3,500.00; damage to building, \$50.00; insurance paid, \$50.00. Value of contents, \$800.00; insurance on contents, \$300.00; damage to contents, \$39.50; insurance paid, \$39.50. Joseph Viera confessed he attempted to set place afire.

#### January 31st, 1940

Still alarm at 1:20 P. M. Fire at 226A Bradford St.; dwelling owned by Mrs. Mabel Bergolio but not occupied at the time. Joseph Viera also confessed of trying to set this place afire also by starting a fire in the mattress.



Value of building, \$800.00; insurance on building, \$600.00; no damage to building. Value of contents, \$600.00; insurance on contents, \$150.00; damage to contents, \$27.95; insurance paid \$27.95.

#### February 3rd, 1940

An alarm sounded at 5:20 A. M. for fire at 91-93-95 Commercial St.; store, dwelling and garage owned by Mrs. Angeline Nickerson. Fire started in garage which was a total loss also 1932 Nash car owned by Albert Nickerson. No insurance on car or garage. Value of garage was \$300.00; value of dwelling was \$1,800.00; insurance on dwelling, \$3,500.00; damage to dwelling, \$665.00; insurance paid, \$665.00. Value of contents, \$1,500.00; damage to contents, \$200.00; no insurance on contents. Fire extinguished with four streams of water from Hose 1 and 2 and Pumpers 1 and 2 using 84,000 gallons also one tank of chemical. 2,000 feet of hose used and two ladders.

Fire spread to Coulton Waugh's cottage at 97A Commercial St. Value of this building \$800.00; insurance, \$1,500.00; damage, \$1,500.00; insurance paid, \$1,500.00. Value of contents, \$600.00; no insurance on contents; damage to contents, \$200.00.

#### February 3rd, 1940

An alarm sounded at 11:25 A. M. for fire at 7 Atlantic Ave.; dwelling owned and occupied by Manuel Rego. Fire caused by oil stove. Extinguished with water from Booster tank. Value of building, \$1,100.00; insurance on building, \$1,500.00; damage to building, \$70.00; insurance paid, \$70.00. Value of contents, \$700.00; insurance on contents, \$200.00; damage to contents, \$20.00; insurance paid, \$20.00.

#### February 6th, 1940

Still alarm at 11:25 A. M. Fire at 179 Commercial St.; dwelling owned by Estate of Philomena Manta and occupied by Joseph Manta. Spark from chimney caught

roof afire. One extension ladder used to remove shingles from roof. No damage.

#### February 6th, 1940

An alarm sounded at 5:05 P. M. for a fire at 475 Commercial St.; dwelling owned and occupied by Commander Donald B. MacMillan. Spark from chimney burned a hole through roof of building. Extinguished with 25 gallons water from Booster tank. One roof and two extension ladders used. Value of building, \$3,000.00; insurance on building, \$8,000.00; damage to building, \$11.00; insurance paid, \$11.00. Value of contents, \$2,500.00; insurance on contents, \$2,000.00; no damage to contents.

#### February 13th, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 9:51 A. M. for fire at 69 Pleasant St.; two story dwelling owned by the Estate of Sarah MacQuillan and occupied by Thomas MacQuillan. Fire caused by burning grass in the yard which caught the outside of building and fire burned between partitions. Extinguished with 2,300 gallons water and 70 gallons chemical. 1,100 feet of hose used and 6 ladders. Value of building, \$700.00; insurance on building, \$800.00; damage to building, \$1,506.00; insurance paid, \$800.00. Value of contents, \$500.00; no insurance on contents and no damage.

#### March 19th, 1940

Still alarm at 9:15 A. M. for fire at 23 Mechanic St.; dwelling owned and occupied by Amos Cabral. Fire caused by Florence Oil Burner and was smothered with carpet. Value of building, \$1,400.00; insurance on building, \$1,500.00; damage to building, \$48.11; insurance paid, \$48.11. Value of contents, \$700.00; insurance on contents, \$500.00; damage to contents, \$43.20; insurance paid, \$43.20.

#### April 11th, 1940

Still alarm at 12:45 P. M. for fire at 166 Commercial



St.; dwelling owned and occupied by George A. Allen. Spark from chimney caught roof afire. Extinguished with water and 35 gallons chemical. Value of building, \$4,200.00; insurance on building, \$6,500.00; damage to building, \$137.00; insurance paid, \$137.00. Value of contents, \$3,000.00; insurance on contents, \$2,000.00; no damage to contents.

April 15th, 1940

Still alarm at 12 o'clock noon for fire in beach grass near Ball Field in rear of Dr. H. LeBaron Stalker's residence. Burned  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. Extinguished with shovels. Caused by boys dropping matches. No damage.

April 15th, 1940

An alarm sounded at 8:20 P. M. for grass fire on the side of hill in Railroad freight yard off Standish Ave. Burned  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre. 600 feet of hose used. 190 gallons water and 35 gallons chemical. Cause unknown, believed to have been set by someone dropping a match or cigarette.

April 16th, 1940

Still alarm 10:05 P. M. for grass fire up back of Cemetery. Burned  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre. Extinguished with shovels and one tank of chemical. Cause unknown. Believed to be set by someone dropping cigarette from a car. No damage.

April 29th, 1940

Still alarm at 8:30 P. M. Fire in woods back of Evans Field. Cause unknown. No damage.

June 5th, 1940

Still alarm at 9:30 P. M. Fire at dump. Two tanks chemical used.

June 16th, 1940

An alarm sounded at 11:20 A. M. for fire at 22 Brown St.; dwelling owned by Mrs. Minnie S. Howland and occupied by Kilburn Watson. Caused by oil stove.

Value of building, \$1,000.00; insurance on building, \$2,000.00; damage to building, \$44.25; insurance paid, \$44.25. Value of contents, \$800.00; insurance on contents, \$900.00; damage to contents, \$86.66; insurance paid, \$86.66.

June 20th, 1940

Still alarm at 4:40 P. M. Fire at 19 Pearl St.; dwelling owned and occupied by Mrs. Louisa Nelson. Fire caused by oil stove and extinguished with hand extinguisher. Value of building, \$1,000.00; insurance on building, \$1,800.00; no damage to building. Value of contents, \$800.00; insurance on contents, \$600.00; damage to contents, \$37.00; insurance paid, \$37.00.

July 1st, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 6:50 P. M. Fire at 286 Bradford St.; East End Tennis Club. Building owned by Lauren W. Cook, 594 Commercial St. Fire extinguished with sand and water. Caused by oil stove. Value of building, \$4,000.00; insurance on building, \$7,000.00; no damage to building. Value of contents, \$1,800.00; insurance on contents, \$2,000.00; damage to contents, \$48.00; insurance paid, \$48.00.

July 2nd, 1940

Still alarm at 5:20 P. M. Grass fire up near William Paige residence.

July 3rd, 1940

Still alarm at 9:45 P. M. Fire at Town Pier caused by cigarette. No damage.

July 4th, 1940

Still alarm at 6 P. M. for fire near Evans Field which proved to be a false alarm.

July 9th, 1940

Still alarm at 9:30 A. M. for fire on Town Pier. Caused by cigarette.



July 10th, 1940

An alarm sounded at 6:45 P. M. for fire at 21 Bangs St.; dwelling owned by Antone Souza and occupied by Mrs. Flora Johnson. Fire caused by Holyoke Heater. Value of building, \$1,200.00; insurance on building, \$1,000.00; no damage to building.

July 12th, 1940

Still alarm at 10 A. M. for fire at Miller Hill Road; dwelling owned and occupied by Mrs. Hartman. Caused by Silent Glow Oil Burner being flooded.

July 17th, 1940

Still alarm at 12:30 A. M. at 24 Franklin St., which proved to be someone burning trash in an incinerator.

July 26th, 1940

Still alarm at 12 o'clock noon. Fire at Atlantic Ave.; dwelling owned and occupied by Frank Cabral. Fire caused by Holyoke Heater. Bottle broke. No damage.

July 27th, 1940

Still alarm at 12:30 A. M. Fire down Railroad Pier or Town Pier. Caused by someone smoking. No damage.

July 27th, 1940

Still alarm at 9:15 P. M. Fire on Town Pier caused by someone smoking.

August 2nd, 1940

An alarm at 4:30 P. M. for fire at 447 Commercial St.; owned and occupied by Mrs. Josephine Patterson. Caused by oil stove. No damage. Fire smothered with carpet.

August 4th, 1940

Still alarm at 11:15 P. M. for grass fire back of Town Hill. Cause unknown.

August 5th, 1940

Still alarm for fire down on Town Pier. Caused by someone dropping cigarette. No damage.

August 6th, 1940

Still alarm at 9:45 A. M. for fire on Town Pier. Caused by someone dropping cigarette. At 10:30 called again for another fire on wharf. No damage.

August 14th, 1940

Still alarm for fire on Town Pier caused by cigarette. No damage.

August 17th, 1940

Still alarm at 2:35 P. M. Fire in woods on New Road up by the Moors. Called again at 6:30 P. M. Four men and Forest Warden present. Cost \$5.00. Extinguished with water and shovels. Burned two acres. Fire set by four boys. Fire reported by Wellfleet Tower and six others. Henry Helmer and men helped to put out fire.

August 23rd, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 12:30 noon for fire at 575 Commercial St.; cottage owned by William Mayo but not occupied at the time. People had left during morning. Caused by cigarette left in waste basket. Value of building, \$1,800.00; insurance on building, \$4,000.00; no damage to building. Value of contents, \$1,200.00; insurance on contents, \$1,000.00; damage to contents, \$65.50; insurance paid, \$65.50.

August 24th, 1940

Still alarm at 6:40 P. M. for fire on Town Pier caused by cigarette. No damage.

August 25th, 1940

Still alarm at 10:00 P. M. for fire on Town Pier caused by cigarette. No damage.

August 26th, 1940

At 2:30 P. M. Fire on piazza of dwelling at 565 Com-



mercial St.; owned by William Richey and occupied by Marion B. Sulzberger, M. D. Cause of fire unknown. Reported by occupant of dwelling. Value of building, \$3,500.00; damage, \$10.00.

#### August 29th, 1940

Still alarm at 7:30 P. M. for fire at 56 Franklin St.; dwelling owned by Jack Beauchamp. Fire caused by Holyoke Heater. Value of building, \$1,000.00; insurance on building, \$1,000.00.

#### August 30th, 1940

Still alarm for fire at 5:55 A. M. At end of Town Pier. Fire was checked before it reached building. Cause unknown. Damage, \$15.00.

#### September 6th, 1940

Still alarm for a fire in a tree in Mrs. Mary O'Brien's yard. This was at 10:15 P. M. Fire set inside tree by boys. Extinguished with 150 gallons water.

#### September 7th, 1940

Still alarm at 1 P. M. for fire on Town Pier. Cause unknown.

#### September 28th, 1940

Still alarm at 8:15 P. M. for fire up by residence of Fred Gordso.

#### September 30th, 1940

Still alarm for fire on Monument Pier at 2:55 P. M., caused by cigarette. Damage to wharf, \$10.00.

#### October 12th, 1940

Still alarm at 2:10 P. M. for fire on Town Pier caused by cigarette. No damage.

#### October 14th, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 9:10 P. M. for fire back of Town Hill east of Ball Field. Burned 20 square feet. Cause unknown.

#### October 14th, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 9:40 P. M. for fire along side of road on Bradford St. Extension. Caused by cigarette. Burned 50 feet.

#### October 17th, 1940

Still alarm at 5 P. M. for fire at 15 Howland St.; dwelling owned by Mrs. Georgia M. Atwood and occupied by John I. Shaw. Caused by defective chimney. Fire burned under the fireplace. Value of building, \$2,800.00; insurance on building, \$5,000.00; damage to building, \$120.00; insurance paid, \$120.00. Insurance on contents, \$1,500.00. No damage to contents.

#### October 15th, 1940

Still alarm for fire at 224 Bradford St.; dwelling owned and occupied by Warren Alexander. Caused by chimney.

#### October 22nd, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 8:45 P. M. for fire back of Monument. Extinguished with 100 gallons water. Cause unknown.

#### October 29th, 1940

Still alarm at 6 P. M. for fire at 327 Commercial St.; Building owned by Mrs. Madeline Dwyer and occupied by Lai & Son for restaurant. Fat caught fire on stove. Fire extinguisher used to put out blaze. Value of building, \$6,500.00; insurance on building, \$10,000.00; damage to building, \$60.00; insurance paid, \$60.00. Value of contents, \$3,000.00; insurance on contents, \$1,000.00; no damage to contents.

#### November 4th, 1940

An alarm was sounded at 6:15 P. M. Fire at Fisherman's Cold Storage owned by Atlantic Coast Fisheries Company. Men had been cutting up a tank with a torch and a spark from that caught the building. Building was being torn down.



Amount of loss by fire during year 1940	\$ 4,839.17
Amount of Insurance on same	73,850.00

### Fire Alarm

The Town is divided into Five Districts.

First: Provincetown Inn to Franklin St.

Second: Franklin St. to Court St.

Third: Court St. to Johnson St.

Fourth: Johnson St. to Howland St.

Fifth: Howland St. to Town Line.

The Siren blows the District three times and Cold Storages blow four blasts for a fire and then the district.

### Apparatus

At present we have the following: Two 500 gallon Pumpers, one 200 gallon Pumper, one Auto Combination Truck, one Double Tank Chemical Truck, one Auto Ladder Truck, two Auto Hose Trucks, three Hose Reels and one Forest Pump with 3,000 feet of one inch hose. We also have two Hand Engines in reserve.

### Hose

We have now on hand 9,000 feet of two and one-half inch cotton rubber lined hose, also 2,550 feet of one and one-half inch hose which is in good condition and 700 feet of three-quarter inch Booster hose.

### Oil Permits

198 permits at \$ .50	\$ 99.00
4 permits at 1.00	4.00

Paid to Town Treasurer	\$103.00
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In accordance with Article 15 which was passed at the Annual Town Meeting your Board of Fire Engineers purchased from the Maxim Motor Company of Middleboro, Mass., a 200 gallon Pumper completely equipped for the sum of \$4,500.00. Truck was delivered May 28th, 1940 and accepted by the Board.

### Appropriations for Fire Department for 1941

Salaries	\$3,000.00
Expenses	2,000.00
Insurance on Firemen	450.00
Insurance on Fire Trucks	692.00
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	\$6,142.00

Respectfully submitted,

T. JULIAN LEWIS

WILLIAM C. PIERCE

JOHN F. LEONARD

THOMAS J. LOPES

JOSEPH DENNIS

JOSEPH DeCOSTA

SIVERT J. BENSON

Engineers of Fire Department.



## Committee on Maintenance of Airport

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To the Board of Selectmen,  
Provincetown, Mass.

The Committee on Maintenance of the Airport submits the following report on the activities for 1940.

### Work On Field

The grass had to be mowed and raked over the entire field several times during the summer. The high spots were cut away on the Number 1 run.

The fire extinguishers and first aid boxes were placed on the field during the summer and returned to Town Hall basement for winter storage the last of November.

The circle was repaired and painted and socks were renewed and replaced when needed.

### Road To Airport

One carload of cinders was put on the road and the hay inside and outside of the field was raked and used for hardening also. Old nets and pans were also put on the road. With very little work now, the road can be put in shape for use all of the coming summer.

### Use Of Field

No regular airlines used the field again this summer but there was another increase in its use by private planes. The town is indebted to the Race Point Coast Guard Station for its courtesy in keeping a record of planes landing on the field. The total number of planes landing was 152 up to December 14, 1940, divided as follows: January 1, February 2, March 5, April 8, May 11, June 15, July 22, August 44, September 28, October 8, November 6, and December up to the fourteenth 1. This is an increase over 1939 of 29 planes.

There has been quite a bit of trouble with people cut-

ting the fence and driving over the field. The field is being policed and any automobile traffic or act of vandalism will be prosecuted. Some boys have been brought in for interfering with the equipment.

Owing to the improved condition of the road, the Committee is asking this year an appropriation of \$500.00, \$100.00 less than in 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. CONNELL,  
WILLIAM F. GILMAN,  
GEORGE RODGERS,  
JOSEPH M. CREAMER,

Grounds Committee.

WILLIAM H. YOUNG,  
Chairman Citizens Committee.



## Report of Town Pier Commission

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

The Town Pier Commission submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1940.

The Town Pier Commission appointed by you, consisting of the same members as of the previous year, made it possible to continue the same plan of repairing.

Approximately three hundred fifty feet of the pier was renewed this year, replacing the caps, stringers, and planking. There were also twenty-six spiles put in. There is still three hundred feet of the pier to be repaired for the completion of the bulkhead. The committee is of the opinion that this can be done during the year 1941.

The committee taking advantage of a pile driver, who was in town, had new corner spiles put in place at the end of the pier.

### Maintenance of the Pier

Appro.		\$5,000.00
Material	\$2,739.24	
Labor	1,872.47	
Lights	201.91	
Liability Insurance	138.00	
Traveling Expense	12.10	
Telephone and Postage	2.28	
Insurance on Float	24.00	
Storage Float	10.00	
	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

### Salary and Labor

Appro.		\$100.00
Wharfinger	\$ 25.00	
Harbor Master	25.00	
Caretaker of Float	50.00	
	\$100.00	\$100.00

### Town Pier Commission

Appro.		\$150.00
Salaries	\$150.00	

We recommend the appropriation of \$5,000.00 for the year 1941.

Respectfully submitted,

MANUEL E. SILVA,  
MANUEL ENOS  
CHARLES J. DeRIGGS,  
Town Pier Commission.



## Report of Public Library

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

The good citizen who uses our Public Library cannot speak in anything else than praise of its improved appearance, comfort, usability, and service. There are a few who expect special privileges, and there are many who do not realize that in cheating on unpaid fines, lending of cards to non-citizens and transients and failure to co-operate with fair rules, they constitute about the only inharmonies that can plague the management of the Library.

The absolute ignoring of notices of books overdue is actually a felony, being the act of stealing town property. Those failing to deliver or pay for books charged to them will of necessity be reported to the town authorities for their action.

It is through the valiant efforts of the Librarian, Miss P. V. Kern that improved conditions have been brought about. While risking unpopularity with a few, the commendable reports of many who appreciate a real Library, counterbalance them.

The new Assistant Librarian, Miss Witherstine, has proven her worth in the short time she has been with us. Her willingness, efficiency and cordiality, have won her a place of esteem with old and young alike.

The Janitress, Mrs. Amelia Diogo, has shown a remarkable spirit of willingness and co-operation in keeping the rooms comfortable and clean.

It is the ambitious aim of the Trustees to see the Public Library become an even greater center of cultural influence. See the Librarian's report of the extra activities of a cultural nature—The Story Hour for Children,

The Reading and Discussion Group, The Girls' Club, and the latest, The Creative Writing Group.

It is the fond hope that somehow a piano can be obtained for the Library, so that a musical department may be formed, for which there has been a demand.

All these accomplishments through the co-operation of Librarians and friends, must give the good citizen a glow of pride that our Library is growing more valuable yearly, and now is outstanding in the field of small town public libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

H. LeBARON STALKER,  
Secretary Board of Library Trustees.

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1940

When the summer patrons returned in 1940 they were surprised by the improvements in the interior of our Library, and visitors who had never seen the place exclaimed over its quaint charm. Funds raised by Mrs. Harlan Crooker, gifts of pictures and vases and small donations of money have made many of these improvements possible. Then, too, with the assistance of three N. Y. A. workers, many books were repaired, the cases in the upper room cleaned and their contents rearranged.

Attendance in the second floor Reading Room has greatly increased; for this year it is 7572—probably because quiet prevails. Of those who enjoy reading here, 40 % are adults—people above High School age. Strong expressions of satisfaction have come from these patrons. Parents, teachers, trustees, librarians and policemen have co-operated in bringing about such quietness, in giving the children to understand that the



Library is not a rendezvous, or a place for rowdyism. Rules drawn up by the Trustees after careful study and comparison with rules of other libraries, have led to better conditions.

419 new books have been added during the year of which 73 are gifts. The most valuable reference works are latest "Encyclopedia Britannica," "Chambers Technical Dictionary," "Who Was When," "The Abridged Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature" and the "International Blue Book."

Summer patrons are delighted to find here most of the recent books, for which they have had to wait many weeks or months in their home libraries.

Aside from regular routine our Library carries on several lines of interesting activity.

The Story Hour, conducted on Saturday afternoons by Mrs. Crooker, still holds the interest of many children.

The Girls' Library Club, now in its sixth year meets informally once a month, at the home of the Librarian.

The Library Association. By amendment of Constitution made last October the Association will meet at eight o'clock on the second Tuesday in January, April, June and October. Officers of the current year are President, Mrs. Arthur Comee; Vice President, Dr. D. H. Hiebert; Secretary, Mrs. Elmer Colcord; Treasurer, Miss Penelope V. Kern.

The purpose of the organization is not only to promote the welfare of the Library, but to stimulate interest in the best music and in the strongest of the recent books.

A Book Review Group was started last April under the leadership of Mrs. Elmer Colcord, which meets on alternate Thursday mornings at ten o'clock in the upper

Reading Room. This is open to all who wish to come. After an hour of review and readings from one of the most popular recent books, there is discussion. All who attend are most enthusiastic and most thankful for such efficient leadership. The charm of these gatherings is that they are informal—then there are no dues, no orders of the day.

A Creative Writing Group was started a few weeks ago, which meets in the upper room on Thursday mornings at ten when the Book Review Group does not meet there. All who are interested in writing are cordially invited to join.

It is the earnest wish of the Librarians to be of service in every possible way, to create a friendly atmosphere, to help pupils and research workers get needed material, to stimulate an interest in good books, to preserve the quaint charm of the place and to make our Library compare favorably with any other in a community of this size.

Respectfully submitted,

PENELOPE V. KERN,

Librarian.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Salaries	
Librarian	\$960.00
Assistant Librarian	590.00
Janitor	180.00
Substitute Librarian	41.30
Supplies	127.95
Books, Periodicals	547.08
Light	123.46
Heat	177.60



Rebinding Books	71.30
Expenses Librarian	20.00
Repairs—equipment	106.97
Liability Insurance	52.02
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	\$2,997.68
Balance	<hr/>
	\$ 2.32

Respectfully submitted,

WARREN S. HALLETT, Treasurer,  
Board Library Trustees

## Report of Town Auditor

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To the Citizens of the Town of Provincetown:

### Spending Era

We are passing through an era of spending, with no thought of where we are to get the where-with to spend. WHEN, and WHERE, will it end?

Although he knows it is not so, the average person generally accepts the huge government expenditures of the past seven years as so much largesse.

In all W. P. A. projects the general idea is that the local government unit pays for the materials and the federal government pays the big end, the labor cost. Even the Mayors of all the biggest and richest cities clamor for large federal relief appropriations as though this money was as free as manna from the heavens.

Actually, every one knows the federal government has not a dollar to spend except what is taken in taxes from all the people. But this is not driven home until the cost to each division of the country is shown.

If this cost was all put on real estate your tax rate would jump to over \$100.00. Of course, all of this burden will not be placed on real estate alone. But the bill has got to be paid and it hurts as much whether it is paid through real estate and higher rents as if raised through more miscellaneous hidden taxes.

Governmental spending is contagious.

What is government? Municipal, county, state and federal. The simplest explanation I know of is the two letter word US. We are the government. The great human cry of today. What is the government doing for us?



A few short years ago, the cry was for the government to do something for the aged. At first it was considered as a joke. The political parties got hold of it and placed it in their platforms which made it a reality and created the Old Age Assistance which is bound to increase, this takes care of the aged.

Then up pops the question, what is the government doing for US, "the youth of the nation?" This is the big problem of today, when this youth problem is settled, and the government aid is created.

We still have the middle age. And the question will be what is the government doing for US, "the middle age class?" Soon as this is settled and the government aid is created then the government has provided for all of US and now we have arrived at scratch. The fallacy of the above is, the government happens to be US, whether we belong to youth, middle age or old age.

The government has nothing at all, not a cent except what it takes from US. Its resources are only what we create for it. And, therefore, I should think the first thing we ought to consider is what we can contribute to the government, rather than what can we get out of it.

Provincetown in the preceding ten years has been kidding its taxpayers, by appropriating less money for the Welfare Department than was needed to meet expenses, thereby creating several outstanding accounts which in the future must be paid.

Transferring from the free cash to meet these bills in the latter part of the year, has reduced the town's free cash to a very low ebb.

This year the only account the town had in reserve for an emergency was an overlay surplus, amount \$5,311.43 transferred from this account September 20, 1940, \$5,300.00 to meet the camouflaged bills, leaves a balance \$11.43.

January 1, 1935 there was in this overlay reserve account \$11,746.66.

Q. How was this overlay reserve created?

A. The above sum appeared and increased from overlay balances of previous years prior to the year 1933 and it was at its peak January 1, 1932. Since, it has diminished at times until now it is \$11.43.

Q. Why have not these overlay balances appeared since January 1932?

A. When the tax rate is computed the sum used for the overlay is added to the commitment and is used for abatements. This overlay sum, not being sufficient to take care of the abatements for that year creates a deficit, therefore no balances are transferred to overlay surplus.

A lesser figure used for an overlay lowers the tax rate for that particular year, however, in the long run the tax rate has gained nothing for the deficit is added to the next year tax rate.

In returning to the Welfare Department, "kidding the taxpayers," as you all must know by this time that welfare (outside aid) has increased in all cities and towns.

Appropriations are made for Old Age Assistance, Mothers Aid, Temporary Aid, Military Aid and State Aid. The following illustration shows how the reimbursements and appropriations work in these several departments using the Old Age Assistance Department for an example.

The Old Age Assistance appropriation	
for the year	\$21,932.00
Town's share	7,310.67
State share	14,621.33



The town provides in its appropriation for the town and State, therefore, \$21,932.00 was appropriated for the current year, however the State reimburses the town for its share less the disallowances that are not certified, which average \$2,000.00 each year. This disallowance is for the following reasons: There are ten to twelve cases each month not certified, the reason for not certifying these cases, some are not eligible and some are not investigated to meet approval by the State. Therefore, the town loses this \$2,000.00 reimbursement.

When the State reimburses the town it is not credited to the appropriation of the current year, but it is received and entered under estimated receipts, which in turn is an available fund used to reduce the town's total appropriation for the following year.

I realize that the foregoing is somewhat complicated but in the last analysis it is my desire to inform you that a large sum of money is lost each year and malfeasance has crept in and the lack of aggressiveness for the town's financial service. A major leak!

I am appealing to the Old Age Assistance, Mothers Aid, Temporary Aid, Military and State Aid Departments of the town in the future to keep accurate records and have approved or certified before the time limit expires, "as the Statute provides," all moneys in advance of expenditures.

The amount paid to recipients in the year 1940 for Old Age Assistance \$43,378.83, Mothers Aid \$8,610.87, totals \$51,989.70. This sum which given as Aid and, with the exception of hospital bills, is all spent in town. One would naturally think it would have a tendency to lower welfare aid.

#### **Trap Licenses**

Seventeen weir licenses collected for the year 1940 but, the 1% on gross stock was paid on only one weir.

This is the second year that the 1% was collected on this same trap. Why discriminate against this particular party?

#### **Town Hall Coal**

Approximately a saving of one hundred dollars on each car of coal if bought directly by the town. Two carloads are used each year. This is the third time that I have brought it to your attention.

How can we be so dumb?

#### **Taxation**

From ten to twelve thousand dollars are abated each year on polls, tangible personal and real estate property.

"We shall probably face for years to come a steady encroachment of the federal taxing authority, upon the former taxable resources from which local governments can draw revenue. Unless we are to see local government taxes extensively increased, we must make a drive for elimination and reduction of their expenditures wherever possible. Even though meritoriously considered."

The State reimburses cities and towns on certain expenditures. The town can claim these monies, if the accounts are properly handled by the several departments. This income amounts to several thousand dollars. (See top of page 199, Town Report, year 1939). The year 1939 the town received \$993.99 for Old Age Assistance from the State as reimbursements.

In the year 1940 I searched the records and now have a complete record, from 1935 to date, of Old Age Assistance and Mothers Aid. Using these records the town was enabled to receive this year \$22,513.05 from the State for Old Age Assistance.



Dec. 31, 1940, Balance per bank statement	\$ 21,528.55
Dec. 31, 1940, Outstanding checks	2,592.64
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	\$ 18,945.91
Dec. 31, 1940 Cash in vault (not deposited)	425.00
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Dec. 31, 1940, Balance in Town Treasury	\$ 19,370.91
Jan. 1, 1940, Balance in Treasury	\$ 13,002.27
Dec. 31, 1940, Receipts for the year	444,784.02
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	\$457,786.29
Dec. 31, 1940, Payments for the year	438,415.38
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Dec. 31, 1940, Balance in Town Treasury	\$ 19,370.91

**TRUST FUNDS****Cemetery Trust Funds****Dec. 31, 1940**

Bonds at Par	\$ 15,000.00
Deposit on S. S. Bank Book No. 12454	38,744.41
Deposit on F. N. Bank Book No. 9980	12,821.12
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	\$ 66,565.53
Deposit on S. S. Bank Book No. 9911 (Income Book)	14,289.39
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Total Cemetery Trust Fund	\$ 80,854.92

**Benjamin Small Library Fund****Dec. 31, 1940**

Deposit on S. S. Bank Book No. 16507	\$ 5,000.00
Deposit on S. S. Bank Book No. 12432 (Income Book)	319.89

On Deposit in Town Treasury	160.91
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	\$ 5,480.80
Total Trust Funds Deposits	\$ 86,335.72

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN R. CHAPMAN,  
Auditor.



## List Of Jurors

Atkins, Samuel K.	Standish	Laborer
Agna, Joseph	Commercial	Clerk
Avellar, Albert	Commercial	Machinist
Atwood, Frank	Commercial	Painter
Alves, Frank Jr.	Bradford	Laborer
Avila, John	Bangs	Carpenter
Burch, Charles W.	Commercial	Baker
Bent, Frank S.	Race Road	Painter
Benson, Clarence	Center	Mechanic
Benson, Sivert J.	Commercial	Broker
Cook, John F.	Winthrop	Mechanic
Costa, Manuel	Pearl	Carpenter
Crawley, Joseph	Commercial	Merchant
Creamer, Joseph	Bradford	Carpenter
Cabral, Jackson	Franklin	Laborer
Cabral, Joseph	Central	Merchant
Campbell, William	Bradford	Laborer
Carrerio, Francis	Conant	Laborer
Cudois, Frank	Commercial	Laborer
Crowell, Edgar D.	Brewster	Retired
Cote, Thomas F.	Soper	Mechanic
Cook, Frank	Commercial	Merchant
Curran, James	Commercial	Engineer
DeCosta, John	Center	Laborer
Days, Joseph M.	Brewster	Laborer
Dearborn, Fred	Winslow	Painter
Dennis, Joseph	Bangs	Carpenter
DeSilva, Ernest	Commercial	Barber
Davis, Jesse J.	Bradford	Laborer
Forrest, Charles	Fishburn Court	Fisherman
Freeman, Reuben	Pleasant	Laborer
Gaspie, Edward	Franklin	Laborer
Hill, Jared W.	Commercial	Retired
Jennings, Richard A.	Commercial	Plumber
Jason, Austin	Commercial	Painter
Kelley, Hernaldo	Johnson	Retired
King, John I.	Pleasant	Farmer
Lopes, Thomas	Conwell	Janitor
Lehsten, Harry	Commercial	Laborer
Lopes, Anthony	Bradford	Clerk
Loring, Albert	Alden	Laborer
Lyle, Lawrence	Bradford	Carpenter
Morris, John V.	Pleasant	Clerk
Malchman, Hiram N.	Commercial	Merchant
Manta, John R.	Commercial	Retired
Mitchell, Leo	Bradford	Laborer
Nolet, Maurice	Commercial	Laborer
Newcomb, Edward W.	Commercial	Fisherman
O'Donnell, John	Franklin	Fisherman
Paige, Bert H.	Commercial	Retired
Pierce, William	Conwell	Laborer
Pierce, William	Conant	Laborer
Patrick, Manuel F.	Commercial	Merchant

Patrick, Levi	Bradford	Painter
Peters, Joseph A.	Brewster	Merchant
Perry, Joseph	Commercial	Clerk
Perry, Stephen	Bradford	Carpenter
Robinson, Herman	Bradford	Merchant
Raymond, Frank	Bradford	Fisherman
Roderick, Stephen	Whorfs Court	Fisherman
Ramos, Joseph S.	Tremont	Blacksmith
Rogers, William	Commercial	Clerk
Roberts, Joseph J.	Center	Merchant
Rabbitt, Louis J.	Tremont	Laborer
Rogers, Joseph	Conant	Clerk
Roderick, Joseph V.	Central	Laborer
Rosenthal, John	Commercial	Merchant
Silva, John S.	Commercial	Retired
Silva Arthur B.	Commercial	Agent
Silva, Lawrence	Washington	Carpenter
Stiff, Walter	Commercial	Merchant
Simmons, Clarence	Whorfs Court	Laborer
Somes, Norman F.	Bradford	Plumber
Snow, George W.	Race Road	Laborer
Small, Jonathan	Kiley Court	Builder
Steele, Joseph Jr.	Winthrop	Fireman
Snow, Ralph P.	Commercial	Fireman
Souza, Anthony	Pleasant	Barber
Souza, John	Washington	Laborer
Summers, John	Conwell	Merchant
Viera, John	Commercial	Merchant
Viera, Manuel	Wareham	Clerk
Watson, Horace S.	Commercial	Truckman
Williams, Charles F.	Brewster	Merchant
Woods, John	Commercial	Merchant
Williams, George P.	Nickerson	Laborer
Winslow, Joshua E.	Commercial	Carpenter

### Jurors Drawn In 1940

Kelley, Hernaldo	Johnson	Retired
Summers, John	Conwell	Merchant
Williams, George P.	Nickerson	Laborer
Souza, Anthony	Pleasant	Barber
Silva, Arthur B.	Commercial	Agent
Ramos, Joseph S.	Tremont	Blacksmith
Manta, John R.	Commercial	Retired



**Annual Report**  
of the  
**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
and  
**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**  
of  
**Provincetown, Mass.**  
for the  
**Year Ending December 31, 1940**



**REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

At a recent meeting of the School Committee it was voted:

To accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools and to present it to the town as the report of the School Committee.

FRANK O. CASS  
CHARLES J. DeRIGGS  
SIVERT J. BENSON  
School Committee.

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Dr. Frank O. Cass, Chairman  
Committee

Dr. Frank O. Cass	Term expires 1941
Charles DeRiggs	Term expires 1942
Sivert Benson	Term expires 1943

**BOARD MEETINGS**

Third Wednesday of each month at the High School building.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

Alton E. Ramey

Office: Provincetown High School

Office open from 8:30 to 12 and 1 to 3:30 p. m., except Saturday. The Superintendent may be seen at his office, by appointment. Telephone 560.

**SCHOOL PHYSICIAN**

A. P. Goff, M. D., Hyannis

**SCHOOL NURSE**

Anna M. Nelson, R. N.

**SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE**

George E. Rogers



## EDUCATIONAL DATA

## List of Teachers

## PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Name of Teacher	Salary	Where Educated	Began Service
George W. Leyden, Prin.	\$2,500.00	Holy Cross College, A. B.	1926
Ellen W. Hourihane	1,400.00	University of New Hampshire, A. B.	1930
Arthur K. Rerry	1,350.00	Brown University, A. B., *A. M.	1932
David J. Murphy	1,670.00	Holy Cross College, Ph. B.	1930
Harold Stone	1,200.00	Boston University, B. S. Ed. M.	1939
Antone Duarte, Jr.	1,390.00	Bates College, B. S.	1937
Mary L. Downs	1,200.00	Framingham State Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1937
Leo V. Gittzus	1,100.00	Fitchburg Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1940
Elizabeth DeRiggs	1,100.00	Sargeant College, B. S.	1939
Mertie C. Kelley	1,100.00	Provincetown High School	1906
Thomas L. Rivard	950.00	Tufts College, A. B., A. M.	1940
Mary Lewis	1,100.00	Bridgewater T. College, B. S. in Ed.	1934
Arthur Malchman	950.00	Boston University, B. S. in Ed.	1940
Mary J. Jacobs	1,100.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1918

## GOVERNOR BRADFORD SCHOOL

Jennie M. Barton, Prin.	1,000.00	Worcester Teachers College	1916
Miriam Corea	950.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1913
Mary E. Alves	950.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1929
Grace L. Goveia	1,000.00	American International College, A. B.	1937
Ethel Collinson	1,200.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1929
Nina S. Williams	1,100.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1900

## WESTERN SCHOOL

Mary C. Enos, Prin.	1,000.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1904
Bessie E. Corea	950.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1918
Frances DeRiggs	950.00	Fitchburg Teachers College	1928
Lucinda Anthony	950.00	Lesley Normal School	1930

## CENTER SCHOOL

Virginia Williams, Prin.	1,000.00	Bridgewater T. College	1900
Annabel MacQuarrie	1,050.00	Provincetown High School	1906
Hilda Dennis	1,050.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1924
Helen Sylvia	950.00	Hyannis Teachers College	1916
Mary Collinson	850.00	Westfield State Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1939

## MUSIC SUPERVISORS

Beatrice Welsh	1,250.00	Am. Inst. Normal Methods	1927
Thomas Nassi	1,000.00	N. E. Conservatory of Music	1932

## SCHOOL NURSE

Anna M. Nelson	1,200.00	Emerson Hospital	1933
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## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Alton E. Ramey	2,800.00	Bates College, B. S.	1937
		Boston University, Ed. M.	

## JANITORS

Jesse Swett	High School
George Rogers	Gov. Bradford
Manuel Patrick	Western
Charles Atkins	Center

\*Indicates summer sessions

## FINANCIAL REPORT

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1940

Appropriation	\$57,490.00
Household Arts Department	1,500.00
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	\$58,990.00
Expenditures	58,985.35
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Balance unexpended	\$ 4.65
Reimbursements	
State, Income Tax on basis	
Teachers' Salaries	\$5,845.60
Superintendent's Salary	1,353.33
Tuition—State Wards	53.92
Tuition—Boston Wards	581.04
Truro—High School Tuition	3,116.00
Other Tuition	60.00
Household Arts	280.71
Sale Manual Training Projects	44.23
Rental of Gymnasium	148.00
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Total	\$11,482.83
Taxation Cost of Schools	
Total Expenditures	\$58,985.35
Reimbursements	11,482.83
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Net Cost of Schools by Taxation	\$47,502.52
Summary of Expense	
General Expense:	
Superintendent Salary	\$ 2,467.50
Traveling Expense	280.00
Enforcement of Law	205.00
Office Supplies	56.74
Clerical Services	311.50
Census	40.00
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	\$ 3,360.74



## Expenses of Instruction:

Supervisors' Salaries	\$ 2,250.00	
Principals' Salaries	5,490.00	
Teachers' Salaries	27,814.50	
Substitutes' Salaries	342.00	
Supplies	3,924.83	
Textbooks	1,302.10	
	<hr/>	\$41,123.43

## Operating Expense:

Janitors' Wages	\$ 3,194.00	
Janitors' Supplies	796.45	
Fuel	2,426.35	
Electricity	933.01	
Telephone	71.38	
Other Expense	263.97	
Removal of Ashes	188.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 7,873.16

## Maintenance of Plant:

Repairs	\$ 915.40	
Other Expenses	280.78	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,196.18

## Auxilliary Agencies:

Health—Nurse Salary	\$ 1,200.00	
Health—Nurse Supplies	37.87	
Graduation	.80	
Libraries	374.21	
Noon Lunches	268.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,881.38

## Household Arts:

Salary	\$ 1,111.59	
Supplies	148.94	
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New Equipment	\$ 2,289.93
Total Expenditures	<hr/> \$58,985.35
Balance	4.65
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Appropriation	\$58,990.00

**Provincetown Schools**  
**School Calendar for 1940-41**

PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Open September 3, 1940		
Close December 20, 1940	16 weeks	75 days
Open January 2, 1941		
Close February 21, 1941	7 weeks	37 days
Vacation one week		
Open March 3, 1941		
Close April 18, 1941	7 weeks	34 days
Vacation one week		
Open April 28, 1941		
Close June 13, 1941	7 weeks	34 days
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	37 weeks	180 days

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Open September 9, 1940		
Close December 20, 1940	15 weeks	71 days
Open January 2, 1941		
Close February 21, 1941	7 weeks	37 days
Vacation one week		
Open March 3, 1941		
Close April 18, 1941	7 weeks	34 days
Vacation one week		
Open April 28, 1941		
Close June 6, 1941	6 weeks	29 days
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	35 weeks	171 days



## Holidays and Vacations

Teachers' Convention, October 18  
 Armistice Day, November 11  
 Thanksgiving Day, and November 29  
 Good Friday, April 11  
 Memorial Day, May 30

## Holidays During School Vacation

Columbus Day, October 12  
 Christmas Day, December 25  
 New Year's Day, January 1  
 Washington's Birthday, February 22  
 Patriots' Day, April 19

### ENROLLMENT, PUBLIC SCHOOLS, PROVINCETOWN

October, 1940

Grade	Center	Western	Bradford	Jr. High	Sr. High
I	28	26			
II	50	29			
III	31	31			
IV	35	34			
V			71		
VI			70		
VII				74	
VIII				60	
IX					53
X					41
XI					51
XII					21
Special Classes			21		
	144	120	162	134	166

### School Census, October 1940

Ages	Boys	Girls	Total	No. not in School
5-7	37	34	71	30
7-14	231	218	449	3
14-16	57	56	113	
16-18	47	46	93	
	372	354	726	33

### Statistics for the School Year, 1939-1940

Total Enrollment	752
Average Membership	718
Average Attendance	684
Percent of Attendance	95
Number enrolled between 5 and 7	87
Number enrolled between 7 and 16	552

### School Appropriation and Enrollment, 1927-1940

Year	Appropriation	Enrollment
1927	\$54,323.79	822
1928	52,939.79	799
1929	58,969.79	756
1930	64,315.00	737
1931	66,710.00	747
1932	60,000.00	768
1933	56,175.00	742
1934	52,000.00	753
1935	54,000.00	732
1936	57,800.00	733
1937	56,000.00	752
1938	59,510.00	750
1939	58,510.00	742
1940	58,990.00	726

### Age of Admission to School

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January 1 of the year following the fall term when he



wishes to enter school may be admitted into the first grade but in every case the admission of a child under six years shall be dependent upon the fitness to be determined by the superintendent. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

#### Report of Sight and Hearing Tests

Number of pupils tested in the school	726
Number found defective in eyesight	68
Number found defective in hearing	18
Number of parents or guardians notified	80

### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS ALTON E. RAMEY

To the Provincetown School Committee:

I herewith submit for your consideration my eighth annual report, my fourth as superintendent, of the conditions and work in the Provincetown schools. The many important problems with which the teachers and superintendent are concerned make very poor material for newspaper stories or reports. The citizens are not interested in the daily teachers' routine of planning assignments, drilling, testing, attention to individual differences, etc. This work though not spectacular is the very life of the school. Upon these factors the efficiency of the school must be judged rather than upon the success of the athletic teams, school plays or graduation exercises.

Much of a superintendent's time is spent in supervising and improving instruction. Economy and finance, investigating and recommending teachers, selecting textbooks and teaching materials and the upkeep and improvement of the school property also require a great deal of attention. For the most part accounts of the above

activities in detail would make painfully dry reading. The efficiency of his work, however, is to be determined on the basis of the above and not of his ability to get his name in the newspapers or deliver speeches before the Board of Trade. The following report is merely an outline of some of the activities that have taken place in the school system during the past year. Any report of a few hundred words cannot hope to tell more than a small part of the story of the schools. Supervisors' reports, the financial statement, enrollment statistics, and other customary school data are included in this report.

#### Many Years of Service

I am pleased to call your attention to a group of teachers who have had a long period of efficient service in your schools. It is impossible to estimate the influence that these teachers have had in the life of Provincetown but we do know that the community owes a great deal to the following teachers. In June the teachers listed will have completed the indicated number of years of continuous service.

Miss Nina S. Williams, Governor Bradford School, Sp. Cl.	40 years
Mrs. Mary C. Enos, Prin. Western School, Gr. IV	36 years
Miss Mertie C. Kelley, Junior High School	34 years
Miss Annabel MacQuarrie, Center School, Gr. III	34 years
Mrs. Virginia B. Williams, Prin. Center School, Gr. IV	31 years
Miss Miriam Corea, Governor Bradford School	27 years
Miss Helen Sylvia, Center School, Gr. II	24 years
Miss Jennie M. Barton, Prin. Governor Bradford School	24 years



Miss Bessie E. Corea	
Western School, Gr. III	22 years
Miss Mary Jacobs,	
Junior High School	22 years
Miss Hilda Dennis,	
Center School, Gr. I	16 years
Principal George Leyden,	
High School	14 years
Miss Beatrice Welsh,	
Music Supervisor, Vocal	13 years
Miss Frances DeRiggs,	
Western School, Gr. I	12 years
Mrs. Ethel Collinson,	
Governor Bradford School, Sp. Cl.	11 years
Miss Ellen W. Hourihane,	
High School English	10 years
Mr. David J. Murphy,	
Physical Director	10 years

I doubt if many towns the size of Provincetown can show a group similar to the above having the total number of years of experience. The 17 teachers listed above average over 22 years of service.

#### Resignations and Appointments

The following changes have taken place during the past year in the teaching personnel. With the exception of Miss Irene Lewis, who resigned to become Mrs. George Silva, the teachers all resigned to accept better paying positions.

#### Resignations

Miss Alicia Finnell—High School Latin and English  
 Mr. Walter Coakley—Jr. Senior High School—Woodworking  
 Mr. Ephraim Rivard—Jr. High Mathematics  
 Miss Irene Lewis—Jr. High School—Science  
 Miss Anna Smith—Center School—Grade I  
 Miss Mary Collinson—Center School—Grade II

#### Appointments

Mr. Leo V. Gittzus—Jr. Senior High School—Woodworking  
 Mr. Arthur Malchman—Jr. High School—Science  
 Mr. Thomas Rivard—Jr. High School—Mathematics

#### Health Certificates From School Employees

"After May 1, 1940 no person shall be employed in the public schools of Provincetown until he has presented a health certificate. This certificate must show a thorough physical examination administered by a doctor satisfactory to the school committee. All teachers and other school employees who come in contact with the children must present health certificates to the school committee during September of each school year. No teacher or employee with tuberculosis or any other contagious disease which may endanger the health of the children is to be permitted to teach or to continue in employment."

This recent regulation requiring yearly health certificates from teachers and other school employees was made with the best interest of the pupils in mind. This rule will eliminate many of the possibilities of employees with tuberculosis or other contagious diseases coming in contact with the children. All school employees recognizing the necessity for this regulation have cooperated fully with the committee. In addition to presenting health certificates they have all had chest X-rays by the Chadwick Clinic. You will be interested to learn that the State Department of Education in Massachusetts, a few months after you adopted the above, recommended that all school committees require health certificates before engaging teachers.

#### Speaking and Writing English

Since my last report to you the Harvard-Boston University Extension Course, taught by Prof. Bernard M.



Sheridan, has been completed. Prof. Sheridan, author of the Sheridan Language Series, is a recognized authority on teaching English. Under his guidance the teachers were able to improve their methods of presentation and revise the subject matter being used. Definite standards of achievement in written English have been adopted in all grades. The improvement in the written and oral English, as a direct result of this course, is very gratifying.

The cooperation of the teachers in making these courses possible is commendable. With few exceptions all teachers welcome an opportunity to take courses that will improve their work. The following Provincetown teachers were enrolled in the course:

Principal George Leyden	Miss Miriam Corea
Miss Ellen W. Hourihane	Miss Grace Goveia
Miss Mary Jacobs	Mrs. Mary C. Enos
Miss Nina S. Williams	Miss Bessie Corea
Mrs. Ethel Collinson	Miss Frances DeRiggs
Miss Lucinda Anthony	Miss Mary Collinson
Miss Hilda Dennis	Miss Helen Sylvia
Miss Annabel MacQuarrie	Mrs. Virginia Williams

If outstanding authorities in the various subject matter fields are engaged to give courses to the teachers, the instruction will certainly improve. If you wish to adopt a policy that will bring good educational dividends in the years to come encourage your superintendent to provide courses similar to the above for teachers who cannot attend summer school. There are enough teachers in the three towns to make extension courses possible.

### **New England Music Festival**

This famous Festival was held in Provincetown last April 17-20. In spite of the fact that Provincetown was the smallest town to ever stage the Festival, it was one

of the most successful in the history of the Association. Several hundred musicians from high schools all over New England made up the band, orchestra and choral groups. The Saturday afternoon concert, featuring selections by these groups, was broadcast for an hour over Station WEEL. The concerts, in spite of the rain, were well attended and the Festival was a financial success. It is impossible to estimate the economic, advertising and cultural values that were derived from this community enterprise. Most of the active organizations in Provincetown cooperated in some manner to make the affair a success. Mr. William Gilman, Mr. William Silva, Mr. Jesse Rogers, Mr. Anthony Tarvers, Mr. John Rosenthal, Principal George Leyden, Mr. William Paige, Mr. Hersey Taylor, Mrs. Catherine Cadose, Miss Beatrice Welsh and Mrs. Helen Allen are a few of the many who gave freely of their time to help Mr. Thomas Nassi with the tremendous amount of planning necessary to feed, house and entertain several hundred boys and girls. The directors of the Association were very pleased with Provincetown hospitality and efficiency. An invitation to the Festival to return to Provincetown in a few years would probably be accepted.

### **Noon Lunch Project**

For the second year in succession the school committee is sponsoring a WPA Project for feeding under-nourished and under-privileged school children. The salaries of the cooks and waitresses on this project are paid by the Federal Government and most of the food used is provided from Federal Surplus Commodities. The seventy children now being fed were selected from the elementary school children by a committee composed of school nurse, teachers and the Welfare Department. At the present time it costs the town about \$15.00 per week to provide these under-privileged children with one substantial meal each day. The improvement in weight and general



physical condition of the children would seem to indicate that this type of project is highly desirable.

The committee is grateful to the Knights of Columbus for making a dining room available for this project and to William Sklaroff for his weekly contribution of fish. The Lions Club is to be commended for providing free milk for these under-privileged children.

The following are two typical menus that will serve to show the type of meal served.

Grapefruit Juice	Fruit cup
Baked Virginia Ham	Bacon and Scrambled Eggs
Buttered Carrots	Buttered Carrots
Creamed Potatoes	Bread and Butter
Bread and Butter	Tapioca Pudding—Milk
Peaches—Milk	

#### **WPA Nursery Schools**

At the present time thirty children are attending WPA Nursery Schools operating in the Center School and Western School. The salaries of the teachers, Mrs. Florence Rock, Miss Anne Anthony, Miss Dorothy Newcomb, are paid by the Federal Government. The children who attend these schools are supposed to be selected from the homes of families on relief. For the past few months the contributions have been almost enough to pay for the noon meal required by the State Supervisors. This project and the Noon Lunch Project provide jobs for needy people. The children receive fine training in proper health habits, diet and discipline. In these schools they soon learn to respect the rights of others and adjust themselves to the group. Children with Nursery School training are much better equipped in these respects when they enter the First Grade.

#### **Improvements**

Your policy of repairing and improving the school property a little each year as your funds permit is com-

mendable. Some of the most important improvements during the past year were:

1. The installation of two new American Radiator oil heaters at the Center School to replace the worn out coal heaters.

2. The improvement of the heating system in the high school gymnasium by re-arranging used-air outlets and warm-air inlets.

3. The installation of heating units in the boys' locker room and the auditorium will not only improve the efficiency of the heating system but will lower operating costs.

4. The copper univent hoods installed on the North side of the building will also assure more constant temperatures in the classrooms and prevent heat losses.

5. The cement floors in the gymnasium and locker rooms are in much better condition as a result of the recent Sanilac treatment.

6. The Governor Bradford School was painted during the summer vacation.

7. The new Standard Chemical Duplicator recently purchased will enable us to duplicate examinations, art work and assignments more efficiently at a lower cost.

It is a pleasure to report that the school buildings, equipment and other school properties are in excellent condition.

#### **The School's Responsibility**

Never before in the history of our country has a greater responsibility rested on the shoulders of those in charge of the education of the youth. Throughout the world institutions, ideals and social orders are in a constant flux. The present chaotic conditions created by aggressor nations have released forces which are changing our whole philosophy of education. No person



can prophesy with accuracy the structure of the schools of tomorrow. All educators, in spite of the changing world, will agree that schools must recognize and attempt to do something about the following, if they are to fulfill the purpose for which they are designed:

1. More emphasis must be placed on teaching the privileges, obligations and necessity for continuing our American way of life. The few who have read my reports since 1932 know that my specific references have been made to our attempts to teach citizenship.

2. The schools must provide some vocational training that will help prepare the youth to make a living. At the present time most secondary schools refuse to recognize the fact that making a living is one of the most important things in life. Latin, foreign languages and advanced mathematics have definite value for the few who go to higher institutions of learning. Some training in manual skills that will enable pupils to get jobs after they graduate seems desirable also. The present defense program has done a great deal to focus the attention of the American people on the shortage of skilled men available. We know that the small community cannot afford to maintain a large trade school. Some answer, however, must and will be found to provide this training—even in small communities. The proposed Barnstable County Trade School, if accepted by the voters, will help solve this problem. Those who have the best interest of the youth in mind will vote and work for this school.

#### **In Appreciation**

Many parents, organizations and individuals have contributed materially throughout the year to the welfare and support of school activities. The school committee wishes to express its appreciation to the following for their support.

1. The Lions Club for furnishing free milk each day to seventy needy children.

2. The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters for purchasing glasses, clothing, shoes, etc. This assistance has enabled a number of under-privileged children to continue in school.

3. The Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Police Department and other town departments have cooperated with the school in every possible way.

4. We wish to thank the organizations and individuals previously mentioned who were responsible for making the New England Music Festival a success.

5. We are grateful to Commander Archibald Turnbull for his assistance in helping correlate military drill with our Physical Education Program.

#### **Conclusion**

The biggest and most important enterprise in Provincetown is the education of our boys and girls. It is an exacting and difficult task but one that will pay everlasting dividends if properly conducted. The success of the venture depends for the most part upon the ability and loyalty of the teachers. The proper attitude of the pupils and the support and cooperation of the parents and school committee are also essential for success.

My appreciation is extended to you and the teaching staff for your efficient work in advancing the education of the children entrusted to your care.

**THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL**  
GEORGE F. LEYDEN

Mr. Alton E. Ramey, Supt. of Schools,  
Provincetown, Massachusetts.

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as principal of the Provincetown High School.



### Enrollment

The total enrollment for the Junior-Senior High School on December 20, 1940 was 303. This shows a slight increase over the total enrollment a year ago. The facilities of the building however, are more than adequate to hold any increase that might occur in the near future.

### High School Enrollment

The enrollment by classes is as follows:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total
Post Graduates		1	1
Seniors	13	8	21
Juniors	18	33	51
Sophomores	24	17	41
Freshmen	33	20	53
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			167

Percentage of Attendance	96 %
Percentage of Tardiness	1 %

### Junior High School Enrollment

Grade 8	26	31	57
Grade 7	38	41	79
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			136

### Student Mortality

Since September several pupils have transferred to other schools. Some of these pupils have entered schools in Florida and we expect them back in the Spring.

Our High School is accredited by the New England College Entrance Certificate Board and we have the certification privilege for every New England College which admits students on the certificate plan. We have a Class A rating given us by the Massachusetts Department of Education. Such ratings as these are important

inasmuch as they enable our graduates who receive our certification to enter many colleges without taking entrance examinations. We do not recommend a pupil whose marks fall below A or B as being likely to pass college entrance examinations.

I am enclosing a list of our graduates who are at present attending higher institutions of learning.

NAME	COLLEGE ATTENDING
Allen, Jean	Jackson College
Bent, Herman	Hyannis State Teachers
Burch, Eleanor W.	New England Conservatory of Music
Burch, Howard	New Hampshire State College
Cass, Kendall	Boston University
Cass, Patricia	Jackson College
Collinson, Robert	Diesel Engineering School
Cross, Arthur	Hyannis State Teachers
Dignes, William	Northeastern University
Dyer, John	Bates Maine
Earle, Janice	Hunter College
Ferreira, Leo	St. Francis College, Loretta, Penn.
Francis, Edgar Jr.	Aero Industries Technical Institute, Los Angeles, California
Hannum, Philip	Tufts College
Hiebert, Ruth	Jackson College
Jette, Jeanne	Bryant College, Providence, R. I.
Jonas, Lloyd	Northeastern University
Joseph, Richard	Hyannis State Teachers
Medeiros, Kathleen	Salem State Teachers
Merrill, Nancy O.	Jackson College
Murchison, Marjorie	Oxford University, Marion, Ohio
Oliver, Arnold	Bridgewater State Teachers
Paige, Harold	Boston University
Patrick, Arthur	Roosevelt Aviation School, Mineola, Long Island, N. Y.
Peters, Frank	University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
Ramos, Doris	Regis College
Rivard, Donald	Tufts College
Santos, Richard	Fitchburg State Teachers
Silva, Dorothy	Framingham State Teachers
Snow, John	Boston University
Stahl, Marjorie	Pembroke College
Stalker, Robert	Massachusetts School of Pharmacy
Steele, Francis	St. Charles College, Baltimore, Md.
Turner, Walter	Hyannis State Teachers
Williams, John	Hyannis State Teachers
Woodward, Cleveland	Trinity College, Penn.

### Athletics and Physical Education

Health is the first and most important cardinal principal of education. In our defense preparations we have found many of our young men with serious physical



defects. Lack of money and restricted physical education programs are perhaps responsible in a large measure for this deficiency. Our Physical Education Departments under the capable supervision of Mr. David Murphy and Miss Elizabeth DeRiggs are constantly striving to educate the children in the practical aspects of personal and public health care. A detailed report of the activities of these departments is contained in the respective reports of the department supervisors.

#### **Visual Education**

Our Visual Education program supplements the teaching in the classroom with effective films. A comprehensive schedule of sound and silent films shown throughout the year bring to our school each week several reels of film which have educational and entertainment value.

#### **Vocal and Instrumental Music**

The work of the instrumental and vocal classes contribute much in a cultural way to the life of our school. Both of these departments enhance our assembly programs from time to time and are a featured part of our graduation program. The work of these departments is explained in detail in the respective reports of Mr. Thomas Nassi and Miss Beatrice Welsh.

#### **Assemblies**

We have had several assemblies this year directed by various members of the faculty. These assemblies are a valuable asset to our school life inasmuch as they afford a medium for self-expression and the discovering of latent talent.

#### **Cafeteria**

Our cafeteria, under the excellent supervision of Miss Mary Downs continues to serve hot lunches consisting of well-cooked, wholesome food. The school lunch is an important factor in the teaching of health and nutrition,

in the establishment of good eating habits, the selection of the right kind of food, in training for good social conduct and civic responsibility. Under the present set-up, the school cafeteria is definitely run for the benefit of the student on a non-profit basis.

#### **Guidance**

Our guidance program is continuing to function with increasing beneficial results. We have recently introduced a program of social and ethical guidance in the seventh and eighth grades. This program is under the supervision of the home room teachers during the activity period. There is also a course in Vocational Guidance functioning in the High School.

#### **Building Citizenship**

During these times patriotism and defense are of prime importance. In our Social studies we are constantly striving to educate for Democracy. Through the medium of these social studies, we are hoping to teach our pupils how to get along better with their fellow men in large group relations. We are teaching our pupils that Democracy is the design for living. It is both a personal way of life and a system of social, political, and economic life. Its aspirations, loyalties, institutions, and behaviours, constitute the care of the moral and political tradition of the United States.

#### **Personnel**

Our faculty has undergone the following changes during the past year. Miss Alicia Finnell resigned after receiving an appointment to teach in New Bedford, Mass. Mr. Ephriam Rivard resigned to take a position in our defense program. Miss Irene Lewis resigned for the purpose of being married. Mr. Walter Coakley resigned to accept a position in the Worcester, Mass., school system. Due to the splendid cooperation of the faculty and a slight decrease in enrollment, our program of



studies has been rearranged so that we are able to operate with one less teacher without impairing the efficiency of the staff.

### Replacements

I am pleased to announce that two of our recent graduates have been engaged as members of the faculty. Mr. Thomas Rivard who received his Master of Arts Degree from Tufts College last June has been appointed as teacher of Mathematics and Hygiene in the Junior High School. Mr. Arthur Malchman who received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Boston University last June has been appointed to teach Science and Penmanship in the Junior High School. Mr. Leo V. Gittzus, a graduate of Fitchburg State Teachers' College has replaced Mr. Walter Coakley.

### N. Y. A. and Student Aid

By means of the N. Y. A. and Student Aid program we have been able to employ a number of boys and girls whose economic conditions were none too secure. These boys and girls are employed in doing useful work and are receiving remuneration for it.

#### Student Aid Enrollment

Boys	Girls	Total
7	14	21

#### N. Y. A. Enrollment

Boys	Girls	Total
10	20	30

### Appreciation and Conclusion

I wish to sincerely thank the Lions' Club, the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Daughters for their generosity in meeting the many requests for aid which we have made upon them. I wish to further thank Mr. Francis Mooney of Truro and others who have so generously offered their cars for transportation purposes

when the occasion arose. Professor Charles Russell, Curator of the American Museum of Natural History is deserving of our thanks, not only for the splendid gifts of animal heads which he gave to the school, but for the many considerations he gave our Senior class when we visited the museum on our trip to New York last April. Our deepest appreciation is extended to the citizens of Provincetown for their patience and generosity in supporting the many activities which we find are necessary to finance various projects. Only those who have been connected with schools for any length of time can fully appreciate the feeling of deep satisfaction and appreciation in having a superintendent and a school committee such as we are fortunate in having at the present time. To them I give my deepest thanks for their splendid cooperation in keeping the school functioning efficiently.

### Graduation Program Thursday, June 13, 1940

Processional—Entree de Procession	Batiste
Invocation	
Rev. Roy Q. Whiting	
Chimes of Spring	Lincke
P. H. S. Chorus	
Essentials of Democracy	
Marilyn Raymond	
Dance of the Hours—from La Gioconda	Ponchielli
Orchestra	
Leadership In A Democracy	
Leona Silva	
Waves of the Danube	Ivanovici
P. H. S. Chorus	
The Responsibility of Democracy	
Lucien Cross	
Danza Calabrese	Morelli
Orchestra	



Hungarian Fantasy (Violin Solo)  
June Whiddon

Education and Democracy  
Mary Rogers

March of the Musketeers  
P. H. S. Chorus

Address to Graduates  
Bernard M. Sheridan  
Educator, Author

Presentation of Diplomas  
Alton E. Ramey, Superintendent

Benediction  
Rev. Elmer D. Colcord

Recessional—Cornelius Festival March  
Felix Mendelssohn

Orchestra—Conducted by Thomas Nassi  
Chorus—Conducted by Beatrice Welsh

### Seniors of 1940

Mary Julia Andrews  
Irene Rosanna Angelo  
Jayne Warren Atkins  
Jean Marie Banks  
Robert Enos Brown

Barbara Jeanne Cabral  
Jane Elizabeth Cabral  
Viola Franzelina Cook  
Anna Carmen Corea  
Arthur Isadore Costa

Lucien Primo Cross  
Mary Agnes Cruz  
Raymond Howard Days  
Maureen Margaret Dignes  
Leo John Ferreira

Edgar Walter Francis Jr.  
Marjorie Emily Gray  
Eleanor Mary Lema  
Hilda Louise Marshall  
Mary Theresa Mott

Arthur Callistus Patrick  
Frank Anthony Peters  
Marilyn Stevens Raymond  
John Jason Roderick  
Mary Elizabeth Rogers

Theodora Frances Rosa  
Dorothy Ann Rose  
Mary Agnes Segura  
Elizabeth Jane Silva  
Mary Leona Silva

Raymond William Souza  
Francis Joseph Steele  
Jeanne Amelia Travis  
Kathleen Beryl Tinkham  
Norine Evangeline Valentine

June Frances Whiddon

### Class Officers

President	Francis J. Steele
Vice-President	Arthur C. Patrick
Secretary	Eleanor M. Lema
Treasurer	Jeanne A. Travis
Student Council Members	Leona Silva, Lucien Cross
Faculty Advisor	Mr. David J. Murphy

### Colors

Blue and Gold

### National Honor Society

Eleanor M. Lema	Leona M. Silva
Mary E. Rogers	Leo J. Ferreira
Marilyn S. Raymond	Lucien P. Cross

Character—Service—Leadership—Scholarship



**New England Music Festival Program  
Provincetown, Massachusetts  
Saturday Afternoon and Evening, April 20, 1940**

Orchestra—Dr. Irving Cheyette, Conductor  
Overture, "Coriolan", Opus 62 L. v. Beethoven  
Intermezzo for String Orchestra, Opus 40, No. 1a  
A. Walter Kramer  
Suite, "King Christian II", Opus 27 Jean Sibelius  
Part I a. Elegie (Re-arranged by C. J. Roberts)  
b. Musette  
c. Minuet  
Part II. Nocturne

Chorus—Dr. Walter Butterfield, Conductor  
My Love Dwelt in a Northern Land Edgar Elgar  
So We'll Go No More A-roving Lewys Thomas  
Hail! Smiling Morn Spofforth Stoughton  
I Dream of Jeanie Foster-Nevin  
We Have a Song to Sing, O! Sullivan-Treharne  
(From the Yoeman of the Guard)  
Corals Bryceson Treharne  
Night Song Joseph W. Clokey  
Voix Celestes (Humming Chorus) Gilbert A. Alcock  
Father Abraham (Spiritual) arr. by Bryceson Treharne

Band—Paul Wiggin, Conductor  
Hero Overture Harold M. Johnson  
Perpetuum Mobile Johann Strauss  
Four Rhythmic Dances Heywood S. Jones  
Symphony No. 1 in C Minor Ernest S. Williams  
(Second Movement—Larghetto)  
Stars and Strips Forever John Philip Souza

**Seventh Annual Junior Prize Speaking Contest  
Monday, June 10 at 8:00 P. M.  
Program**

On to Victory March P. H. S. Orchestra  
"And Sudden Death" by F. C. Furnas Eugene Perry

"The Last Lesson" by Alfonse Daudet Marguerite Cook  
"Education Against Crime" by J. Edgar Hoover  
Dolores Mooney  
"Youth and World Peace" by David Cook  
Elizabeth Martin  
"Finlandia" P. H. S. Orchestra  
"The Declamation Contest" by Loeta Hulse Black  
Barbara Cross  
"I Am Innocent of This Blood" by Albert Readman  
Warren Roderick  
"The Ultimatum of Youth" by Adolphson  
Francis Mooney  
"America's Choice for Peace" Author unknown  
John Silva  
"Londonderry Air" P. H. S. Orchestra  
"The Supreme Menace" by Earl M. Dunbar  
Arthur Roderick  
"Ten Years of Crime" by Henry Lysing Virginia Carter  
"Beautiful Dreamer" P. H. S. Orchestra  
Consultation of Judges  
Presentation of Medals King Lion James Perry  
"On the Level March" P. H. S. Orchestra

**Judges**

Mr. William McLin, Prin. of Dennis Consolidated School  
Mr. Robert Playfair, English Dept. of Yarmouth High School  
Mr. Richard Cochran, Prin. of Wellfleet High School  
Music furnished by Provincetown High School Orchestra  
under the direction of Mr. Thomas Nassi

First Prize—Boys Arthur Roderick  
First Prize—Girls Marguerite Cook  
Second Prize—Boys John Silva  
Second Prize—Girls Barbara Cross  
Honorable Mention Elizabeth Martin



## BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

DAVID J. MURPHY, DIRECTOR

I herewith submit my annual report as Director of Boys' Physical Education in the Senior and Junior High School.

### Program

All boys physically able, participate in healthful activities both in and out of doors. During the early fall and in the spring the boys are on the athletic field taking part in games and developing themselves in the fundamentals of the seasonal sports. In the winter months, from November 1st to the end of April we are inside taking part in regular gymnasium activities. This consists chiefly of: (1) marching tactics, (2) drills or calisthenics in free arm and with Indian clubs or dumbbells, (3) apparatus work or the parallel bars, horizontal bar, Swedish box, buck and balancing beams, (4) floor work in tumbling, wrestling and pyramid building.

The physical change of the boy during this school period is observed closely. Examinations are given during the months of September, January, and May. Here any lack of normal development is noted and if caused by something that can be regulated or administered by this department we immediately begin corrective methods for adjusting the boy. Doubtful cases or cases that we know warrant medical attention are immediately referred to the school nurse. In some cases suggestions are given to the parent for home remedy.

### National Defense

I am pleased to report that this department has made a few changes in its schedule in order to contribute toward the National Defense Program. We have supplemented our work with a daily routine of military drill. Our marching tactics have been revised so that they are executed with more military appearance.

Wooden guns, resembling the regulation army rifle are being made by our Industrial Arts Department. With them we hope to be able to acquaint the boy with the requirements he will be obliged to meet under the Selective Service training. All this is done with no thought of developing a militaristic attitude in our students. If Selective Service is to be a requirement for all boys, then it is our desire to have this fundamental training serve as a measure for making the early part of his training easier and more satisfying.

A great deal of the advice and instruction for inaugurating this program was given freely to me by Commander Turnbull, retired U. S. Navy. I would like to express my thanks to him for the valuable assistance he has given me.

### Intramural Activities

At this writing our intramural basketball program is operating satisfactorily. We have nine teams organized in the Junior High and six teams in the High School. A round robin tournament will be conducted in these Classes and emblems awarded the winners. As a reward for their development and improvement in play, I am allowing the two best of the week to play a night game. This game will serve as a preliminary to the varsity game on home game nights.

We had no intramural baseball last spring. Instead, I allowed all who were interested to practice with the varsity. A series of games were arranged for these boys with teams of their own age from Wellfleet High School.

This year in order to develop leadership, I have placed the entire organizing, officiating and maintaining of team standings under the control of High School boys. The results to date have been very satisfactory.



### Property Improvements

The changes made in the ventilating and heating systems of the gymnasium and locker room have improved the working conditions of our department. We have less cold air sweeping across the gymnasium floor as a more uniform heat is now obtained. The blower in the locker room has made it possible to prevent chill to a perspiring body and has afforded us the beneficial use of the showers during cold weather.

### Conclusion

In conclusion may I say that this department endeavors to offer a program that develops a desire for better health, character and leadership. We know that it is in the daily routine life of our gymnasium that many of the greatest possibilities for physical and moral improvements and intelligent self-direction remain. A strong, graceful and active body, an alert, inquisitive and discriminating mind; these are the evidences of sound health and the objectives this department assures you and the school committee it is working to obtain.

## GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

ELIZABETH DeRIGGS, DIRECTOR

I herewith submit my second annual report in Physical Education for the Elementary and Junior-Senior High School of Provincetown.

### Elementary School

The program in the lower grades requires each child to take physical education once a week for thirty minutes. The program consists of story plays, singing games, simple folk dancing, exercises and other low organized games. From this they learn to play with others, use their imagination in story plays, wholesome games that they may play in their leisure and recess time and aid the development of the will.

### Secondary School

All girls in the Junior and Senior High School have been tested for height, weight and posture. The girls not able to take physical education are excused only after presenting a doctor's certificate.

The program is the same as last year with the addition of individual skills into the program. These skills consisted of archery, badminton, bowling, and basketball shooting for time. These individual skills fostered the coordination of the eye and the hand, control of muscle, determination, quickness of response and keener judgment.

### Intramural Activities

A varied and well organized program of intramural sport is planned to supplement the activities conducted during the school session.

At the beginning of this year we started a badminton club. There were approximately thirty-five girls that joined; every pupil having the opportunity to come after school and play. The class met Monday and Wednesday afternoons and progressed as a Ladder Tournament. Each girl was given a certain place on the ladder and each time they played they could challenge anyone above or two above them but could not challenge anyone below them. To be first was their goal.

Another intramural activity offered is basketball. This year we have eleven teams, eight are from the Junior High and three from the Senior High. Volley ball and soft ball are two more sports that we offer in the spring. The intramural program is planned to give each student an opportunity to play on a team and benefit from the wholesome recreation.

### Conclusion

In conclusion, I would like to say that physical education is not just a play time but is an education through



physical activity. It influences the development of the child both physically and socially through the different activities offered; it also encourages good sportsmanship, cooperation, fair play, courtesy, self control, loyalty and obedience which helps to make good citizens.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the School Committee, the Superintendent, and the Principal for their whole-hearted cooperation.

### REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC THOMAS NASSI

Music shapes the lives of our young people; it makes life fuller; it teaches them coordination and discipline. I wish every child would avail himself of the opportunity. The initial expense is very little, the instruction is free, and every child gets private attention in his particular instrument.

Music is a very powerful medium in building a cultured well rounded life. It develops a better citizen, sharpens his intellect by coordination of mind and fingers, and adds joy and happiness to many lives which otherwise might be shaded with gloom and unsociability.

The fact that music groups are called upon by the citizens to participate in every worth-while function is in itself a proof that music makes better citizens. Service is the prerequisite of good citizenship and no other school group as such is called upon more often than the music group whether it be a soloist, ensemble, band, orchestra, or the chorus.

The citizens of Provincetown have given music all the financial support it needs, but far more important than this is their moral support. Visit any school in our Cape communities and you will find that wherever the parent, the teacher and the principal cooperate the most, there

will be the largest and best school orchestra and band. This rule has never failed through my long years of experience. There is nothing more discouraging than to be under a principal that is not interested or a teacher that is so engrossed in his own subjects that he will permit nothing to interfere with his classes. Music needs the tolerance, cooperation and encouragement of all, especially of the parents and teachers. Fortunately there are very few of these educators who are either interfering or passive and I am making an appeal to them through this paper to give us their full support.

Perhaps educators do not realize the direct benefit that music brings the school and how much it actually helps the children in the other subjects. In a recent survey, 196 out of 200 colleges and universities stated that musically trained students were very superior to all others in school work. This does not mean that music will give brains to a fool. No university in the world can do that. It does mean however, that of any two individuals with a similar degree of education, the one with musical training has a marked advantage.

Although we are forced to train our children for the satanic skills of war, let us not lose our heads. We must also think of the future and train our children in the gracious arts of peace.

Provincetown was fortunate to be host of the New England Festival. This was an event that music lovers will long remember. I come in constant contact with music educators and Festival members who attended this event and they have all praised Provincetown and the way the Festival was conducted. To the committee of leading citizens who made this Festival a success goes my sincere thanks and appreciation. They have made history in the organization of a Festival.

Our High School Orchestra is becoming a firm solid interpretative medium of all that is fine in music. Our



band with a little more encouragement will take its rightful place in the school.

The Bradford School Orchestra is unusually fine this year. The Symphonette classes of Western and Center Schools are a joy to listen to. They have accomplished a great deal with the help and genuine interest of Mrs. Enos and Mrs. Williams. The splendid training that they receive in the fundamentals will help them later in their advanced vocal and instrumental work. The music groups are as follows:

High School Orchestra	27
High School Band	21
Bradford School Orchestra	20
Center School	24
Western School	31

### VOCAL MUSIC

BEATRICE WELSH, SUPERVISOR

I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Vocal Music in the Provincetown Schools. The methods of procedure in the singing classes are the same as in former years.

Pupils in the first grade learn at least one new song each week by imitation and before the end of the school year they will have learned to participate in a singing group and the majority of them will have learned to use the head-voice properly. Coincident with this program of singing, the child's musical experience is enriched also by participation in the rhythmic orchestra. As a foundation for future technical studies, first, second and third grades include the following progressive activities, namely; phrase-wise singing; recognition of phrase repetition; learning the so-fa syllables, acquiring a vocabulary of tonal figures; applying the foregoing experience to a study of the printed page, thus learning to follow the notation of songs already familiar.

In accordance with the usual custom, two-part singing was introduced in the fourth grade this week. The essence of two-part singing is the ability to sing one's own part while hearing another part. Two-part singing in the fifth grade and three part in the sixth together with drill on note values, pitch names of the lines and spaces of the staff key signatures, etc., is carried out as in previous years.

There is a great need for new singing material in both the Junior and Senior High schools.

I am sure that every individual that attended the Music Festival held in Provincetown last spring was greatly inspired with the beautiful singing and playing of the masses choruses, orchestras and bands.

"Activity" and "learn by doing" have been slogans of modern education. Surely pupils learn cooperative activity in orchestral or vocal work and participation in a Music Festival whether it be in mass choruses, orchestra or band ensemble is an aid in the development of the social spirit.

"Musical education is unquestionably invaluable in moulding the soul."

Addison wrote, "What sculpture is to a block of marble, music is to the soul."

In closing I wish to thank you, the school committee, Mr. Leyden and all the teachers for their interest and cooperation.

### REPORT OF COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT HAROLD STONE

I hereby wish to submit my second annual report of the Commercial Department of Provincetown High School.

At the present time the students who are registered for commercial work are vocationally in a particularly



fortunate position. In these chaotic times of rearmament, regrettable as it is, there is an ever increasing demand for commercial workers, male and female, to keep track of the enormous expenditures by the government. Within the Army and Navy personnel there are many boys who find that their study of commercial work is an excellent stepping stone to advancement. These are just two illustrations of the many avenues of opportunity to lucrative earnings and positions that are open to commercial students by their study of business arithmetic, bookkeeping, shorthand and typewriting.

#### **Business Arithmetic**

Business arithmetic forms the fundamental basis of all training for the business world. There are invoices, notes, stocks and bonds, bills, checks, bank reconciliations and innumerable other business forms covered throughout the course. The student's knowledge and familiarity with these forms will not only be valuable in business, but also in their personal every day activities in the world. Business arithmetic is important and necessary for all.

#### **Bookkeeping**

Bookkeeping must be one of the tools at the command of a student when applying for a job, because it must be realized in the small concerns the office worker must be a jack-of-all-trades. Additional value of bookkeeping for personal use is that through the knowledge of bookkeeping a systematic distribution of income by records is easily understood and applied, making for better individual and social living.

#### **Stenography**

This year in the commercial course the elementary shorthand students, as well as the advanced students, are given an opportunity to receive practical office experience. A schedule has been devised whereby each student spends at least one period of the week in the

Principal's office doing practical work. The Gregg Certificate Award Plan which is accepted by many large concerns in lieu of examination when applying for a job is being used again this year. The Plan consists of a series of graduated tests, upon the completion of each the student receives certificates and pins. I have started this plan early and many of the first year students are already wearing their bronze pin signifying good shorthand writing skill.

It is regrettable that shorthand appears to a great many as essentially a girls' subject, as it should be realized that within the structure of the defense forces of America stenographers are needed, and many a high school boy graduate is now in the quartermaster's corps of our military organization. It must be remembered that a former President of the United States was a stenographer for many years before being elected to the highest and most honorable position in the United States.

#### **Typewriting**

In typewriting the new textbook that was introduced last year has proven its worth. Many students have already received typing certificates, and are looking forward to receiving their fifty and sixty words a minute pin before the completion of their second year of typing. At the completion of the three years of typewriting the students will have a complete knowledge of the different forms of business letters, all possible forms of tabulation, manuscripts, reports and other literary matter. I would recommend that every student in the high school take at least one year of typing before graduating school. A knowledge of typewriting is useful to all; to commercial students it is indispensable, and for those who intend to further their education valuable. Scientific studies show that in college a typewritten report receives, as an average, almost a twenty per cent higher grade than a written one.



## HOUSEHOLD ARTS DEPARTMENT

MARY L. DOWNS

I hereby submit my fourth annual report for the Household Arts Department in our school.

This department is essential in all progressive educational systems for every girl should be familiar with the practical subject of homemaking. The future generations depend mainly upon the type and efficiency of the homes they come from. Their physical and mental abilities are developed from energy-sustaining menus and pleasant surroundings. Therefore it is important that every girl be given an opportunity in school to learn the rudiments of good cooking and to master the essentials of sewing and home planning. This is the main objective of this department.

The Junior High students take the subject two periods a week. This time is devoted in learning the simple processes in cooking and the accomplishment of the essential problems in sewing.

The Vocational Household Arts Course is of great value. Here the girls have more time to accomplish more difficult problems. Many of them make their own school clothes in class. This course enables them to renovate clothing for themselves or other members of their families. In foods this particular group has been taught the preservation of foods by pickling and canning. They have been taught the technique of selecting, purchasing and preparing food with a view to economy as well as of nutritive value. They have had practical experience in serving these foods in varied menus in breakfast, luncheon, and dinner units.

All Vocational girls are required to do home projects. This particular phase of the course shows the practical application of the principles taught in the classroom to specific home problems. This work is evaluated by the instructor in home visits. Thus the home and the school

are in close contact with one another and in such a co-operative movement the student benefits greatly.

This year the students had an unusual opportunity to demonstrate to the public the practical value of their training. They devoted two periods a week to the British Relief work. It offered problems to the girls and in return they were glad to do a little charity work. They made a number of layettes—infants' clothing consisting of flannel nightgowns, jackets, slips and bonnets.

The successful completion of this course will enable every girl to become an efficient homemaker.

## INDUSTRIAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

LEO V. GITTZUS

I hereby submit my first annual report concerning the Industrial Arts Department of our school.

Citizens of a community often ask about the value of a Manual Arts Department. The department tries to develop a boy into a happy, useful and successful citizen. The aims of this course are:

1. Developing in a pupil an active interest in our present industrial life and methods and an appreciation of this life and these methods.
2. Developing in a pupil the ability to select wisely, care for, and use properly the articles he buys or uses.
3. Developing in a pupil the ability to solve actual problems which concern him and completing the work which presents these problems.
4. Developing in a pupil the ability to proceed and finish with a task in an orderly manner.
5. To make available to the pupil a number of practical activities and studies in which he may explore his abilities.



This Industrial Arts work is justified not because the objectives of this work are essentially different from the objectives of general education, but because the experiences provided in Industrial Arts offer a very effective and economical means of developing desirable objectives which are given as the aims of a general education.

Our shop formerly a "woodworking" shop is slowly being transformed into a "general" shop. In a "general" shop we find the pupils working with a number of different materials. For example; formerly, the pupil worked in woodworking alone; whereas, at present in our shop he finds himself using wood, metal, both wrought iron and art metal, plastics, ceramic, and block printing. The student thus is able to use more than one material making the scope of activities, studies, and explorations much broader. In making this change some of the boys spent much time making new equipment that could be fashioned from our present equipment and the cost of the change was slight.

The main work is still woodworking, in which many of the boys up to this time had completed at least one project. The workmanship has been of a high standard and the boys have been willing to make articles both for themselves and for the school. These boys have finished a number of model guns which will be used in Mr. Murphy's drill groups. A bulletin board has been made and the repairing of chairs, tables, desks, and benches has been carried out.

One suggestion which would improve the workmanship of the projects made is that the woodfinishing should be done in another room. At present sawdust floating about the room makes it practically impossible to obtain a fine finish. I also suggest that Industrial Arts be made available to the senior high school students for five periods a week and if possible that the pupil receive two or three credits for his work.

In closing I wish to thank the Superintendent, the School Committee and the Principal for their kind cooperation.

## REPORT OF SPECIAL CLASSES

MRS. ETHEL F. COLLINSON

The Special Classes, during 1939, have followed practically the same schedule as in previous years, with perhaps, one exception—more remedial work.

It seems to me that every child should work up to the limit of his capacity in academic work. By giving remedial work, even at the sacrifice of some hand work, this has been made possible for a number of pupils who have been returned to the grades and are making good progress.

In the case of one boy who was a transfer from Grade IV to Grade V and then placed in Special Class: after a year and a half in Special Class I sent him in October to Grade VI and he is now doing good work and showing splendid effort and cooperation. This shows that not every child delegated to Special Class need always remain there. By perseverance, concentration and individual help and encouragement, he can often take his place in the regular classes. This also has been made successful by the wonderful cooperation of the teachers of these regular classes.

A few of the oldest pupils, we transferred to the Junior High as we felt the Physical Education program, Household Arts, assemblies, etc., would be helpful to them in the short time they would remain in school.

My membership averaged 15 and Miss Williams' 12 throughout the year.

Those of my older boys who wished, were allowed to participate in the basketball games with Grade VI, held at the High School. They were much pleased with the



emblems received. Learning good sportsmanship and cooperation with others were the most important lessons learned in these games, by this type of child.

One suggestion I would like to make is that the older boys might have a chance to take part in the physical training drills and exercises of boys of their own chronological age. This they badly need for all-round physical development and muscular coordination. We can have games and play for the younger children but have no equipment for the other drills.

Our annual exhibition held at the close of school in June was well attended.

We were more than pleased with the interest of the parents at the evening session although it was a very stormy night. Parents of two-thirds of my pupils came and remained throughout the entire program. We showed methods of remedial work and other drills which might be helpful to parents in understanding how we attack the difficulties of the child.

As usual we gave a Thanksgiving play in which every child in both classes participated. The Christmas play, "The First Noel," was especially interesting, the older pupils taking part assisted by the Bradford School Orchestra, conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Nassi, and the Bradford School Chorus which sang appropriate Christmas carols between the acts of the play.

During the year the boys have reseated about 75 chairs besides their other projects. The new and younger children who have entered have to learn how to use tools and it takes some time before they can make a presentable project.

Beginning in September the older boys are taking care of their own caning business, ordering supplies, paying bills by check or money order out of money received,

thus teaching them valuable business facts and also relieving the school board of these small accounts. Also, the boys who make large projects are paying for half the materials used, oftentimes with money received from caning a chair. Those who are just learning are using box wood until they can do an acceptable piece of work.

The teachers and pupils wish to thank our Superintendent and members of the School Committee for their splendid help and cooperation in our work.

### REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE ANNA M. NELSON

I herewith submit my annual report as School Nurse for 1940.

All routine monthly inspections were carried on and special daily inspections were made whenever it was found advisable, especially during the epidemics of contagious disease. The annual physical examinations were made by the school physician, who found the general condition of the pupils very good.

Although there were but comparatively few cases of chicken pox and mumps during the year, the measles epidemic (the first since 1932) beginning in May, resulted in over 450 cases in the town. I feel that if we had had more cooperation from the local Board of Health, many of these cases could have been avoided. In the beginning, contacts were excluded from school but were given permission to return by the Board of Health. The Board ruled that a child was not a contact unless he lived in the household or was in close contact with the child having the disease for over an hour. The Board claimed that if physical examinations had been made in the schools by the school physician two or three weeks previous to the outbreak of the first cases, the physician could have detected the children were devel-



oping measles. Measles can only be diagnosed by the characteristic rash, so the examinations at that time would have been of no value.

I feel that the Board of Health should investigate, very thoroughly, any information received by them, regarding the health conditions in the schools before making such false statements as those made by the Agent of the Board in his letters to the school.

#### **Tuberculosis Clinic**

The school tuberculosis clinic was conducted October 1st with X-rays of the follow up cases. At the same time practically all the teachers and employees of the school system were X-rayed.

Number pupils X-rayed	45
Number adults X-rayed	39

#### **Dental Clinic**

The number of dental operations have decreased considerably since our first school clinic, from 767 operations in 1934-1935 to 184 operations in 1939-1940. This may be due, in part, to poorer economic conditions and to the increase in price from 60c to \$1.00 per operation.

#### **Eye Clinic**

In September eight pupils were examined by Dr. Joseph Sternberg, eye specialist, at his office in Dennisport, and recommended for glasses. Other pupils have been tested and received glasses from Dr. George Dears, of Provincetown. Many of these cases have been taken care of by local organizations in instances where the parents have not been able to afford care.

Toxoid clinics, Audiometer hearing test, Well-Child Conferences for the Nursery School children and American Red Cross Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick classes have been conducted during the past year.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation for the assistance and cooperation received from all.

### **REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER**

A. P. GOFF, M. D.

All of the regular work in connection with health in the schools has been carried on as usual. A steadily increasing interest is being taken in these matters, and of course it is well known that the matter of health in school children is closely connected with all of the work in the school, and this is a matter which is being more and more borne in mind by both teachers and nurses and all concerned.

All of the schools in the County have been quite fortunate regarding communicable diseases and those which have occurred have been of the ordinary nature. Scarlet fever as has been mentioned before, has lately been quite mild, and this, of course, makes diagnosis difficult at times. A very mild case may possibly escape notice by all concerned in some instances.

The regular physical examinations which are always given to all pupils, show on the whole a certain amount of improvement in physical conditions, especially in the matter of teeth. All towns have now, of course, dental treatment available. An especial attempt has been made to have parents present when physical examination is being made, and a certain number have attended.

All of the regular clinics have been conducted, and it may be stated that diptheria immunization has become, without compulsion, a more or less routine matter, much the same as is now vaccination against smallpox.

The work of the nutritionist is continuing with very satisfactory results in all schools.

As usual the cooperation of all officials, associations, etc., concerned with schools has been very complete, and health work has been supported in every way. As has been stated before a very genuine interest is shown in



health work by all superintendents and school committees, etc., and we wish to assure all concerned that every effort will be made during the coming year to the end that health conditions in schools may continue to be satisfactory in every way.

### SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

GEORGE ROGERS

I wish to submit my annual report as Supervisor of attendance for the year 1940.

Number of investigations	366
Number absent from sickness	296
Number of truants returned	15
Number of truants not returned	6
Number of cases no shoes	5
Number of cases from other causes	44

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